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WILD



FRIENDS

Play these games and discover who's who in the Pride Lands!

LIONS KINSHIP

Here are the lions of the Pride Lands dynasty. Look up, down, across and diagonally for their names and circle them.



Simba

Simba is Mufasa and Sarabi's son. He's destined to rule the Pride Lands one day.



Mufasa

Mufasa was a great king of the Pride Lands and Simba's father.



Sarabi

Sarabi, Mufasa's mate, is the queen of the Pride Lands and Simba's mother.



Nala

Nala is Simba's childhood lioness friend who one day becomes his queen.



Scar

Scar is Mufasa's younger brother and Simba's mean uncle.

M	R	L	F	B	S	M	L
B	M	S	N	S	A	N	R
A	U	B	I	U	R	B	M
S	F	L	L	M	A	F	L
N	A	M	R	L	B	S	N
F	S	C	A	R	I	A	U
U	A	N	L	A	B	L	R

HYENA SPOTS

Look at this trio of wicked hyenas, Scar's loyal followers.
Whose spots are these?



☐ Shenzi ☐ Banzai ☐ Ed



RAFIKI'S HUNT

Rafiki is a wise old baboon. He carries his staff with him wherever he goes and gives Simba, Timon and Pumbaa a whack with it when they act foolishly.
How many outlines of the three can you find here?



Rafiki



Simba

Timon

Pumbaa

THE MOVIE

10

THINGS
YOU NEVER KNEW



1 WORKING TITLES

When the film's creators first thought of making an animated movie about lions, they referred to the idea as *Bambi in Africa*.



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2 ANIMALS IN THE OFFICE

A wildlife expert brought a lion, a baboon and some vultures to the film studio so the animators could study certain behaviors.



ABOUT THE LION KING

It took five years to make **THE LION KING** and, as you can imagine, the creators had many stories to tell about what happened behind the scenes! Read on to find out about how the animators learned to draw lions, what the name Pumbaa means in Swahili, which really fun sport was cut out of the film... and much more! Check out these inside secrets about the movie that roars.

4 ELTON JOHN SHOCKER!

Elton John, who wrote five songs for the film, imagined the ballad ***Can You Feel the Love Tonight*** being sung by the two young lions, but instead it was recorded by Timon and Pumbaa! "I was horrified when I heard it sung by the warthog. It was a shock!" said Elton. The producers later changed their minds and **gave the song to the lions.**

3 ON SAFARI IN AFRICA

Before they worked on ***The Lion King***, several of the film's creators spent **two weeks on safari in Kenya**, studying how real lions live. They watched lions hunting, mothers with cubs and big male cats stretched out in the sunshine. They made sketches and took photos of the playful cubs to help create young Simba and Nala.



THE MOVIE

5 A BAD GUY IN THE FAMILY

In the early scripts, Scar was a rogue lion who wasn't related to Mufasa. Then the filmmakers decided that the story would be more emotional and scarier if the bad guy was someone in the family, so they made him **King Mufasa's brother**.



6 WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Many of the characters' names are **in Swahili**. Here's a quick translation:

Simba: Lion

Nala: Gift

Sarabi: Mirage

Rafiki: Friend

Pumbaa: Simpleton

Banzai: Skulk or lurk

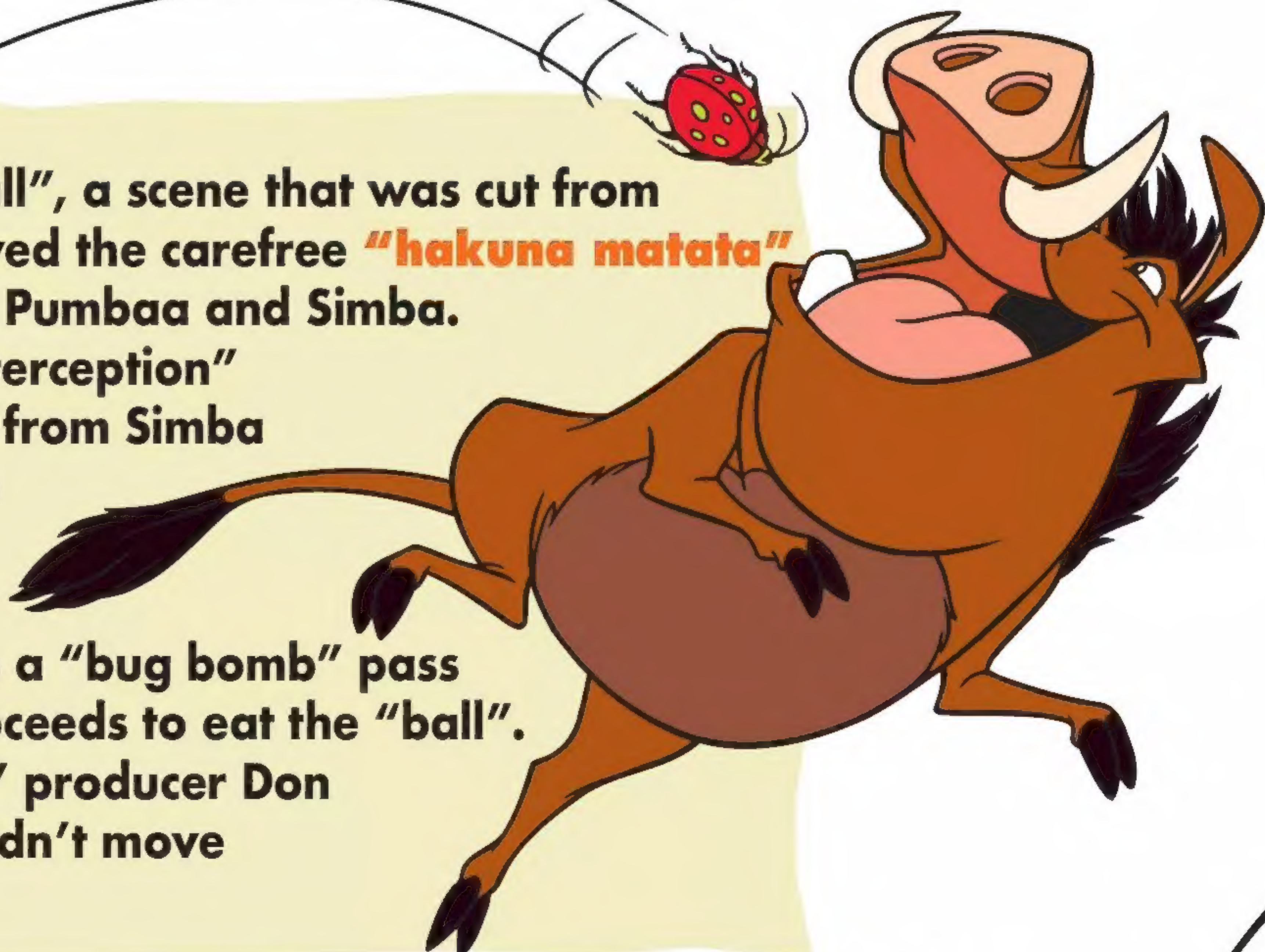


7 A YOUNG WARTHOG

The song **Hakuna Matata** originally began with a verse by Timon. The filmmakers decided the song would work better if it were shorter, so they cut Timon's verse. Now **it begins with Pumbaa's verse**, "When I was a young warthog..."

8 BUG BEGONE!

"Bug Football", a scene that was cut from the movie, showed the carefree **"hakuna matata"** lifestyle of Timon, Pumbaa and Simba. Timon makes an "interception" of a large, juicy bug from Simba and runs toward the end zone doing his own play-by-play. He stops and throws a "bug bomb" pass to Pumbaa, who proceeds to eat the "ball". "It was a fun scene," producer Don Hahn says, "but it didn't move the plot forward."



10

KING MUFASA'S GHOST

The scene where King Mufasa's ghost appears to Simba **was the last scene created** for the movie. In the original script, Mufasa died and never reappeared. But the producers decided that Simba really needed to see his father again.

9

LOCAL LINGO

Before animated films are shown in other countries, local actors are hired to record the dialogue in their own language. Every Disney animated movie is almost always redubbed **in over 30 languages** around the world!



BIG CAT COLORING

- 1 = YELLOW
- 2 = ORANGE
- 3 = BROWN
- 4 = GREY

Solution on page 50

10 THINGS TO ANSWER

TRUE
FALSE

If you know all about **THE LION KING** you won't have any trouble answering these questions!

1

The first working title of *The Lion King* was *Bambi in Africa*.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
2

The animators had some real animals in the film studio to sketch them in different poses.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
3

Before they worked on *The Lion King*, several of the film's creators spent two years on safari in Kenya.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
4

Elton John wrote much of the music for the film.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
5

Scar is Mufasa's uncle.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
6

The word *Rafiki* means "friend" in Swahili.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
7

The song *Hakuna Matata* begins with Simba's verse, "When I was a young warthog..."

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
8

Bug football is Kenya's national sport.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
9

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☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE
10

The scene where King Mufasa's ghost appears to Simba was included in the movie at the end of production.

☐
TRUE
☐
FALSE

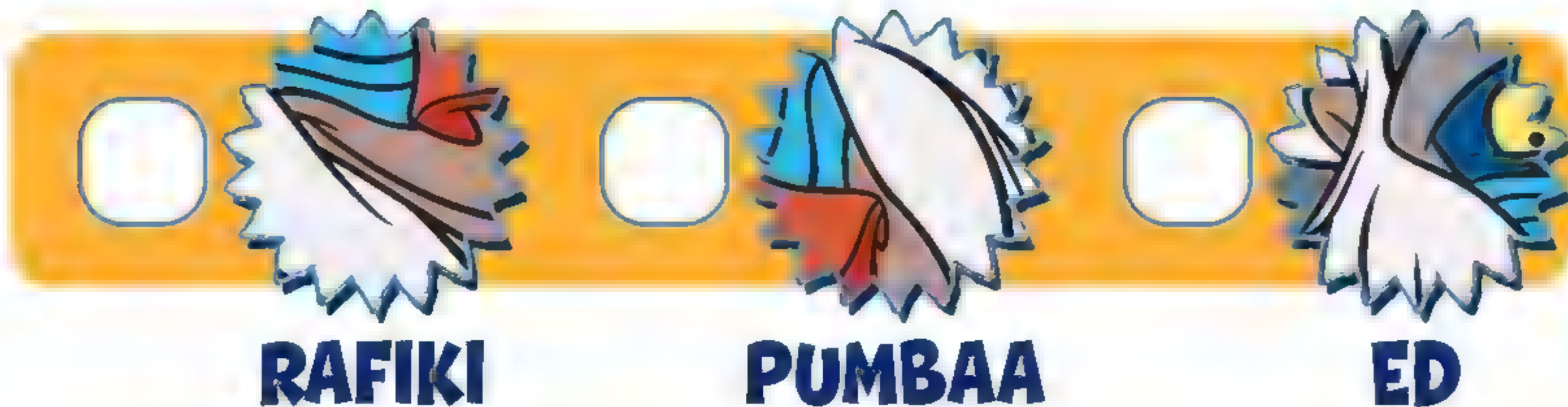
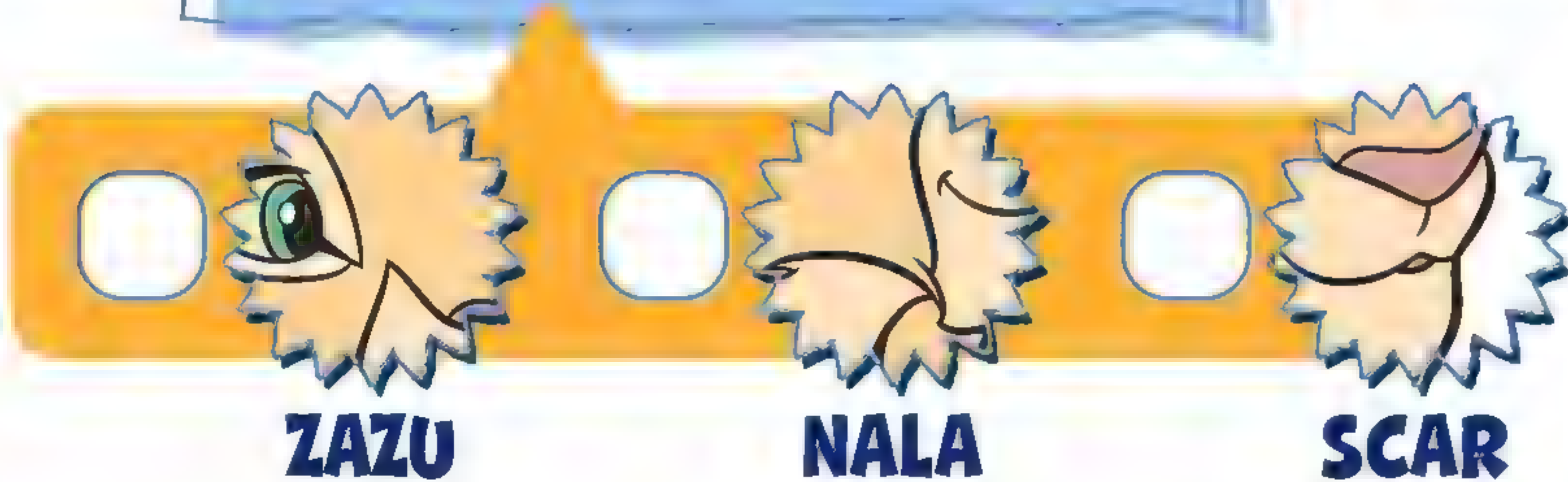


HI, I'M ZAZU,
MUFASA'S ADVISER!

WHO'S

Find the missing
detail in each picture
and check the name
of the character shown!

WHO?



A TALE OF LIONS



1 The savanna at dawn. The animals have gathered in the Circle of Life at Pride Rock to welcome a special newborn lion cub, Simba, the son of Mufasa, king of the Pride Lands!



2

One day Simba shall become king of the Pride Lands, a sun-drenched kingdom, but now all he thinks about is playing with his friend Nala...



3

Danger lurks nearby! Scar, Mufasa's brother, wants to be king, and with the help of the vicious hyenas he creates trouble for Simba time and time again.



4

When Scar manages to trap Simba in a narrow gorge, promising him a wonderful surprise, only Mufasa can save the cub from a herd of stampeding wildebeest! But in saving his son, the king is killed...



5

Convinced by his uncle that he is responsible for his father's death, Simba flees the Pride Lands and winds up in the wasteland, where he meets his new friends Timon and Pumbaa.



6

His new friends teach Simba to survive on bugs and live according to their motto "Hakuna matata", which means "no worries".



7

Now a young adult, Simba happens to meet up with his childhood friend Nala. She wants him to return to the Pride Lands, which have been struck by a drought. There's no more food or water, all because of Scar and the hyenas!



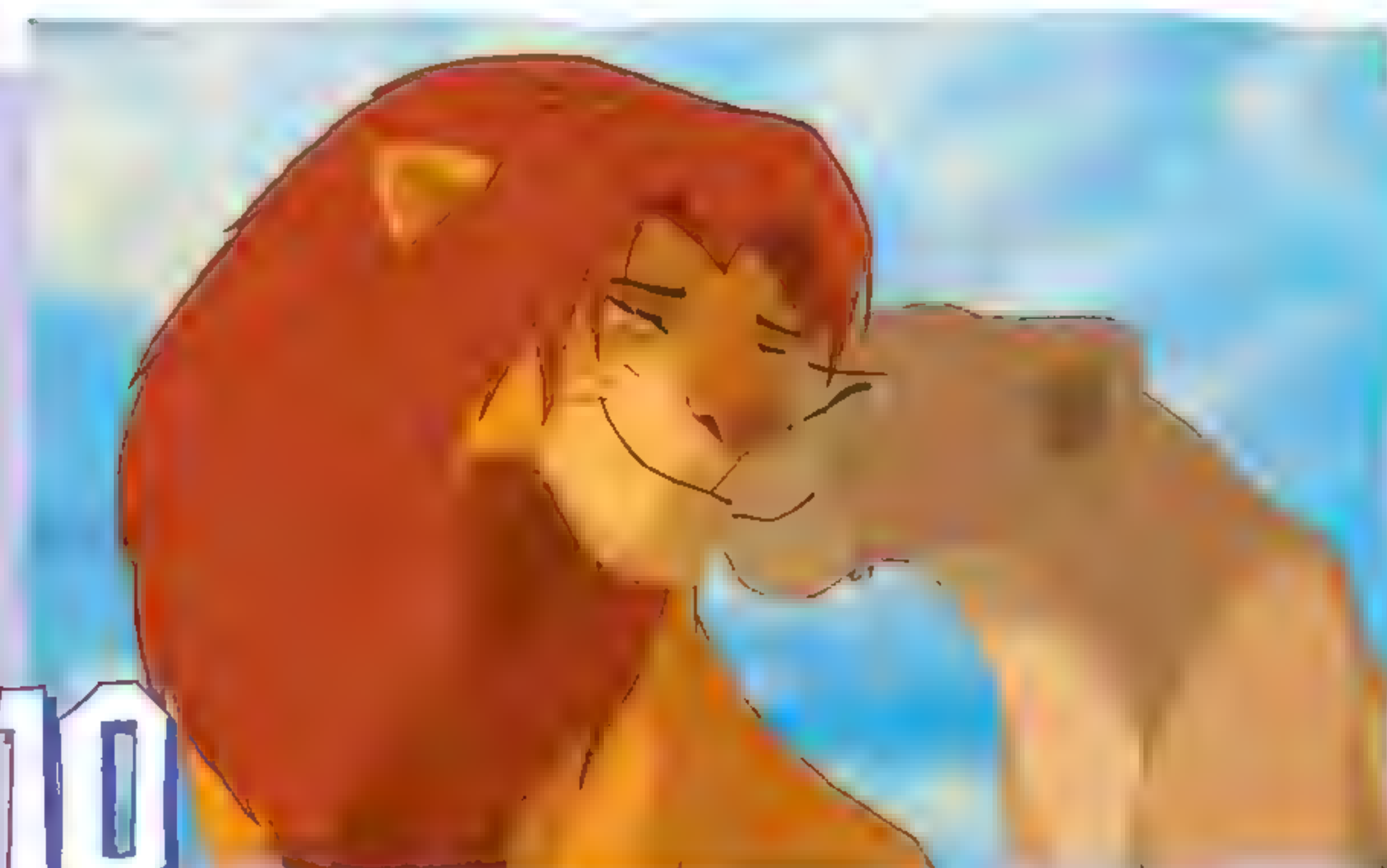
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Convinced by his father, who appears to him in the form of a ghost, Simba decides to return home with Nala, Timon and Pumbaa to reclaim his place in the Circle of Life as rightful king of the Pride Lands!



9

Scar and Simba engage in a terrible battle. It looks like sure defeat for Simba, but when he learns that Scar was the one who caused his father's death, it's all over for his wicked uncle!



10

With the traitor defeated and the hyenas sent packing, Simba is at last king of the Pride Lands. Together with his queen, Nala, he rules with peace and prosperity for all!

THE END



BUGS!

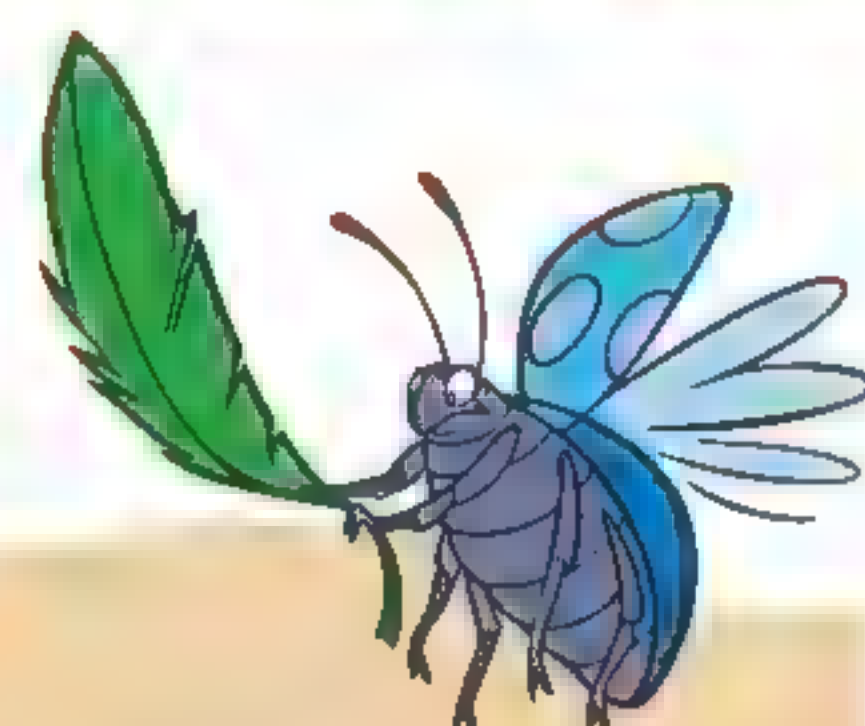
FOR EVERYONE!



Timon and Pumbaa love to play with bugs. What about you?



BUG HIDEOUT



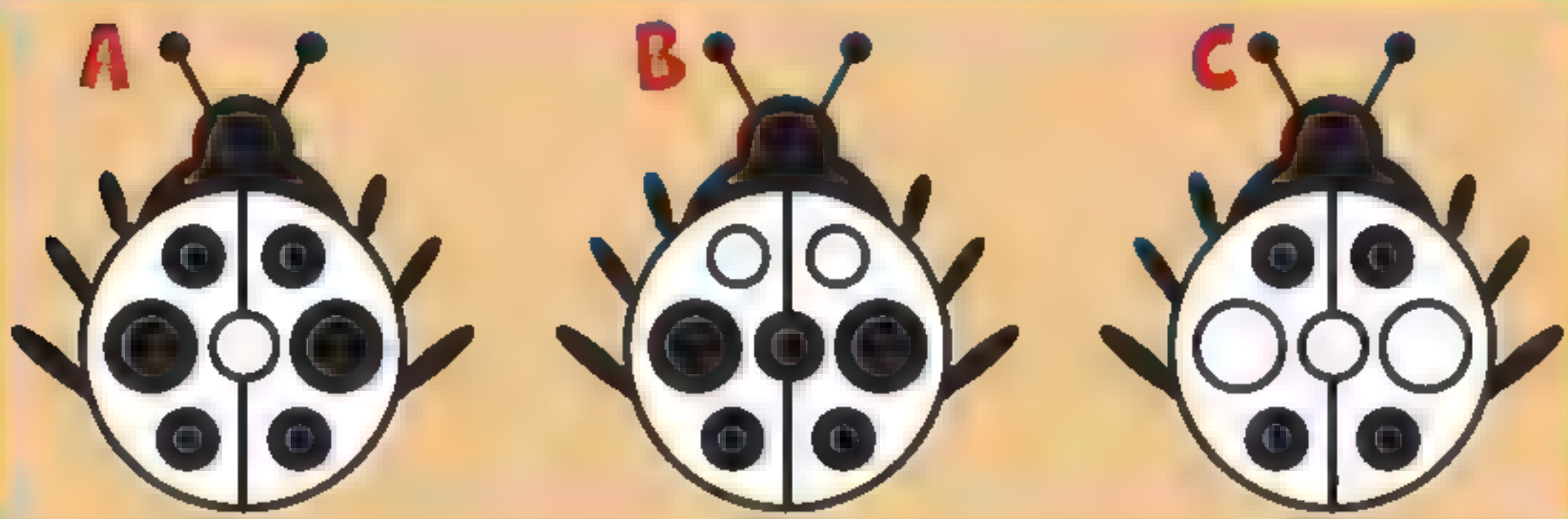
Timon and Pumbaa think bugs are absolutely delicious, and the bugs know it! How many blue bugs can you find hiding in the bushes?

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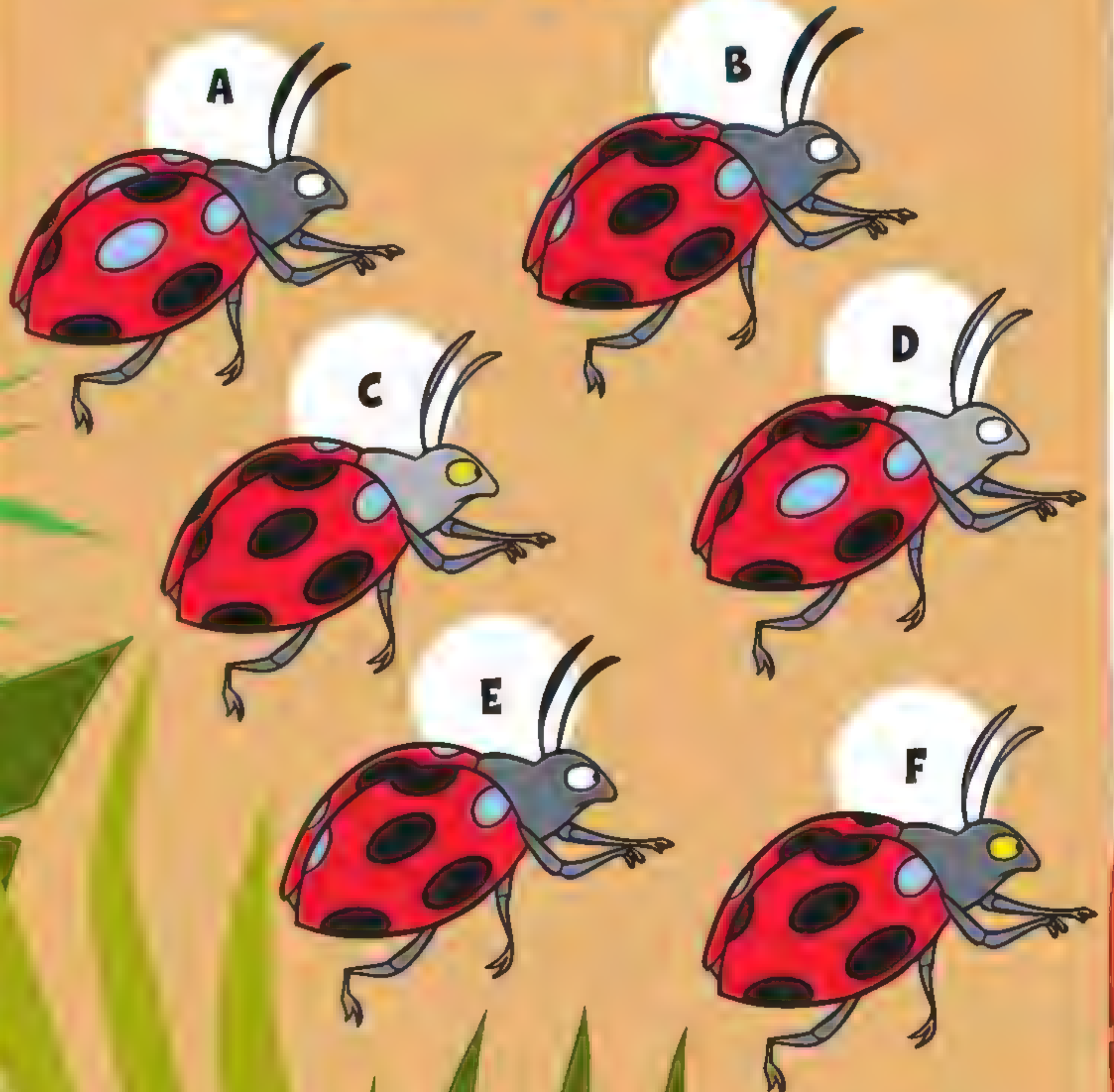
BUG SEQUENCE

Bugs are tiny but very orderly creatures. Only 1 of the 3 bugs that have left the swarm completes the sequence. Which one?



'TWEEN BUGS

It takes a sharp eye to recognize such tiny creatures. Two of these bugs are identical. Can you spot them?



ANIMALS



LIONS

Size: 8 to 10 feet long (about the length of a surfboard).

Weight: 300 to 500 pounds (about the weight of an average alligator).

Where they live: Africa, northern India and the Middle East.

What they eat: Large animals, like zebras and buffaloes (which can weigh 110 to 1,000 pounds), as well as smaller animals, like rodents, hares and reptiles.

Who eats them: No one! That's why a lion is called the King of the Jungle.

Why they're cool

Only four cats can roar (tigers, leopards and jaguars are the others). Lions roar the loudest —

usually to alert other lions of their presence.



CHARACTERS



How do **THE LION KING's** stars stack up to their real-life jungle counterparts? We compared The Lion King's furry stars with the real animals they're based on. How closely do they resemble one another? Check it out.

Simba & Real Lions

**ROWDY
INDEPENDENT
EAGER**

Lions spend most of their time sleeping.



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Timon & Real Meerkats

**HYPERACTIVE
WISECRACKING
SOCIAL**

Meerkats live in groups and babysit one another's young.

MEERKATS

Size: 12 inches tall — when they're standing up, of course (about as tall as a blender).

Weight: 2 pounds (about the weight of a large lobster).

Where they live: Southern Africa.

What they eat: Ants, lizards, millipedes, scorpions.

Who eats them: Raptors, jackals, leopards and other wild cats.

Why they're cool

They have more than 50 different alarm calls to let other meerkats know when enemies are nearby.

WARTHOGS

Size: 3 feet long (about the length of an adult's bike).

Weight: 100 to 250 pounds (about the weight of a cow).

Where they live: Africa.

What they eat: Mostly grasses and herbs, some roots and insects.

Who eats them: Lions and leopards.

Why they're cool

Their tail is not only a good fly swatter, but it shows their mood: a warthog raises its tail to scare an enemy and lets it hang down when relaxed.



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Timon & Real Warthogs

CLUMSY
SLOW
GOOD-HEARTED

Warthogs let birds eat organisms that live on their backs.

Rafiki



Real Baboons

WISE
A GOOD LEADER
FRIENDLY

Baboons live
with friends,
families and
even enemies.

BABOONS

Size: Males are 3 feet tall (about the height of a doorknob).

Weight: Up to 110 pounds (about the weight of two 8-year-old children).

Where they live: West Africa.

What they eat: Fruit, leaves, berries, insects and small animals.

Who eats them: Leopards.

Why they're cool

They groom one another to keep clean and to improve relationships within the group.



PURR-FECTLY MATCHED



Your cat has more in common with lions than you think!

Meowzers! Who would have guessed your sweet little kitty actually has the instincts of the King of the Jungle? Luckily for you, he's been tamed over the centuries. But he still has some habits left over from his wild ancestors. Check out these amazing similarities between big cats and house cats.

BIG CATS

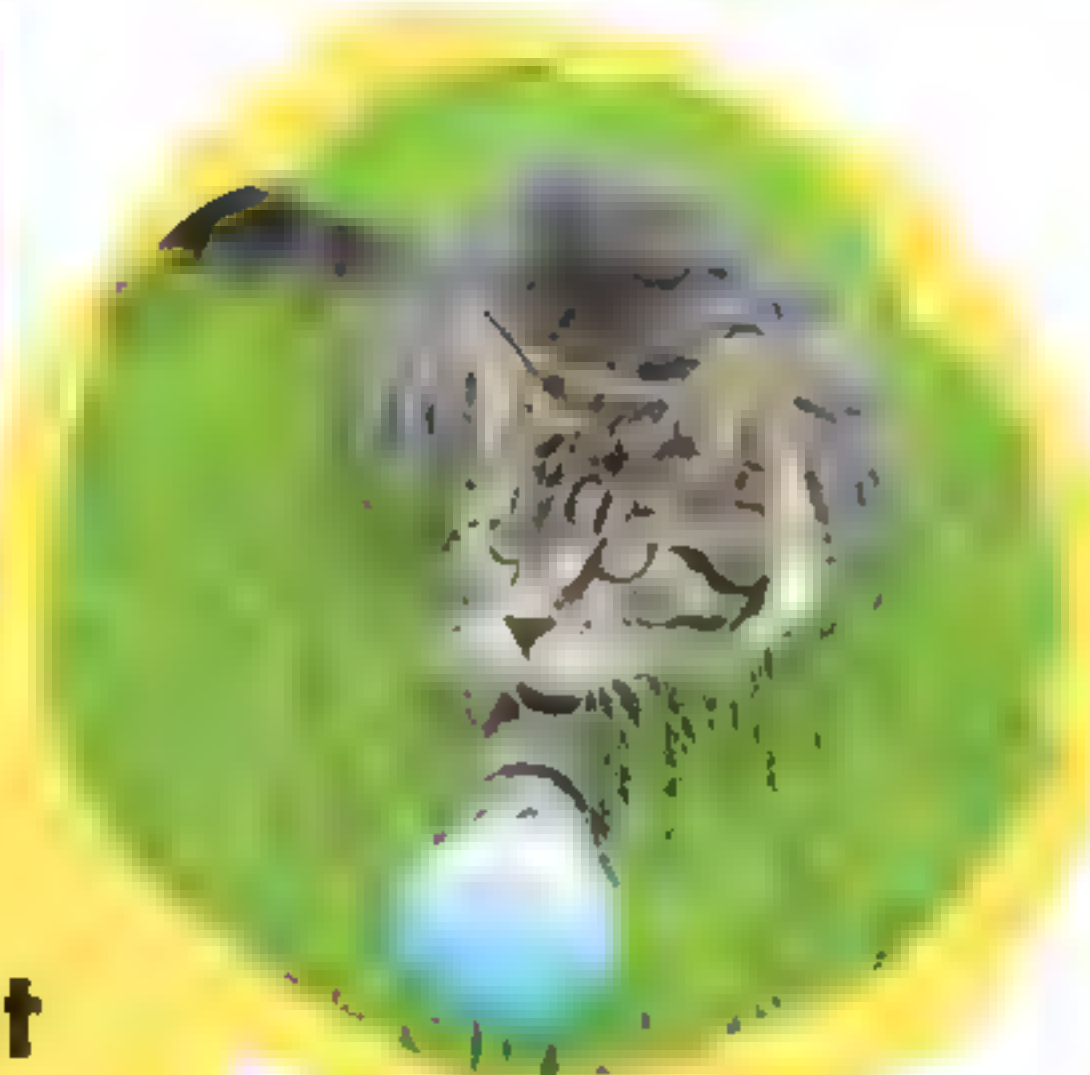
YOUR CAT



Lions don't usually run as fast as their prey, so they have to surprise it when they want some dinner.

GRABBING A BITE

When your cat pounces on a toy, he's using the same stalking instinct that lions use.



Hidden claws help make lions' footsteps silent when in attack mode.

CLAWS OF NATURE

You can tell when your cat decides to show his claws — he usually sharpens them on your furniture!



Big cats have raspy tongues to scrape bits of meat off bones.

NATIVE TONGUES

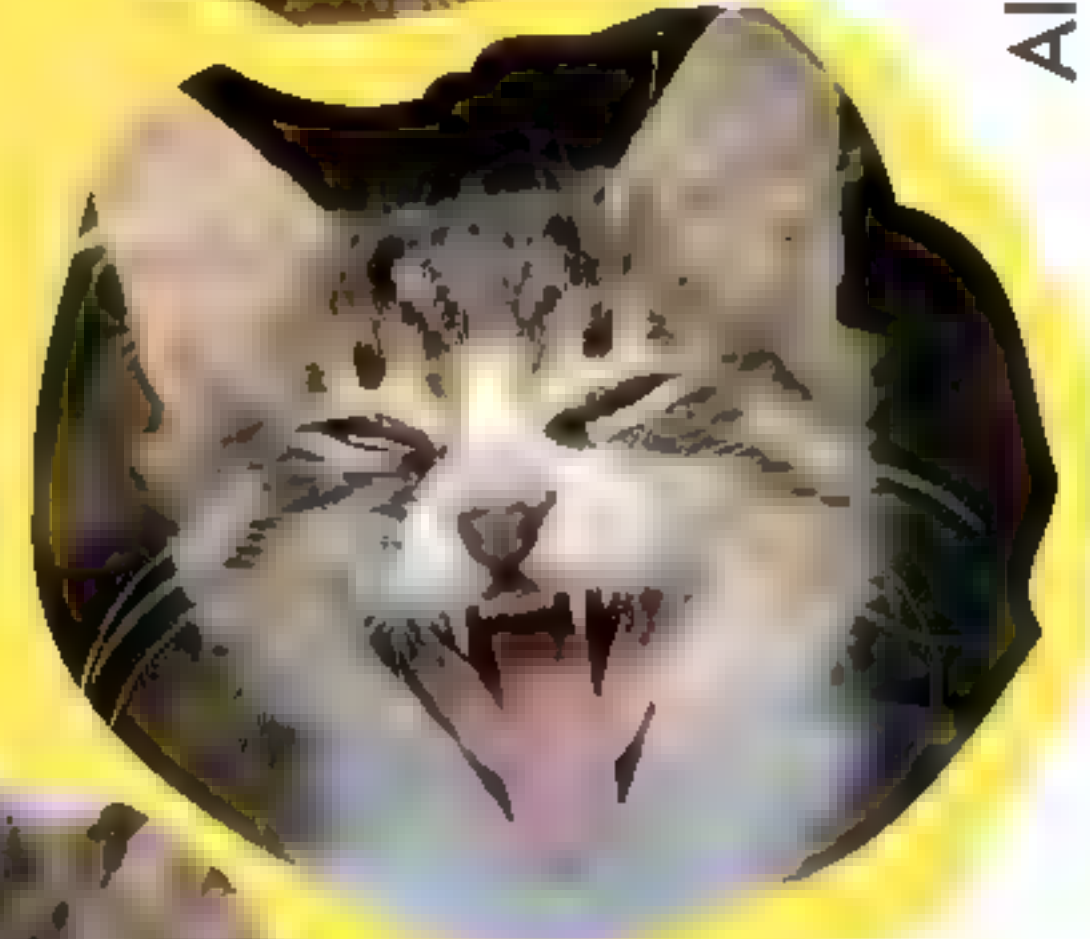
Check it out: your cat also has a rough tongue, though he usually just uses it on cat food!



Watch out: big cats hiss and spit when confronted by an enemy.

KEEP AWAY

A strange cat or dog will make your cat hiss too.



Big cats sleep most of the day (about 21 out of 24 hours), particularly during the hottest part.

SNOOZE CITY

Your cat also catches a lot of Z's, often at high noon.



SECRET LOVE



Decode the secret message.





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WILDFIRE



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AFRICAN

NAMES

Unscramble the names below and learn their meaning in Swahili. Be careful: each group has one extra letter!

R B A
I S A
L A

(mirage)

A K
I I F
F R

(friend)

I A S
B M K

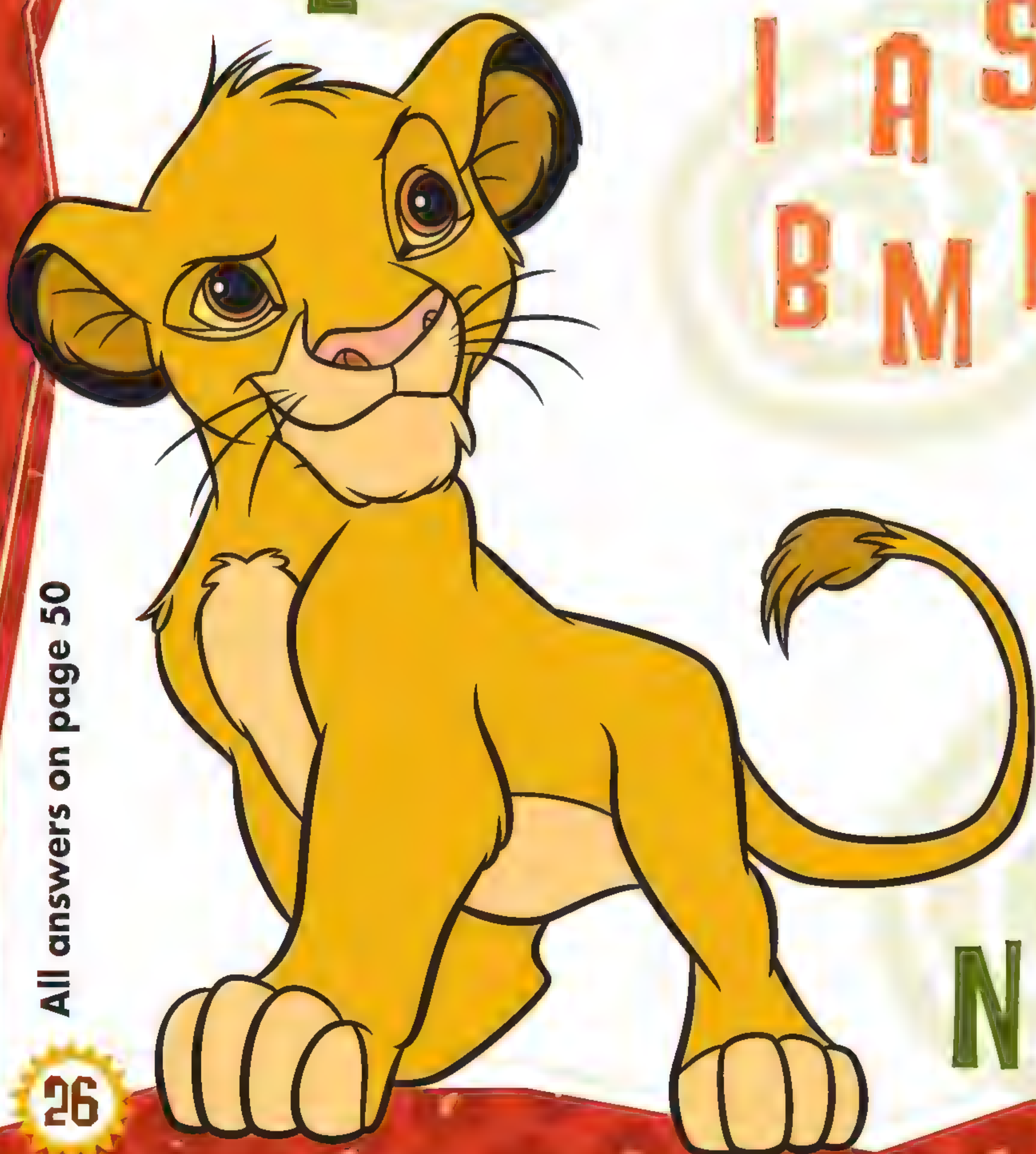
(lion)

K A
L N A

(gift)

Z I
A A B
N E

(skulk, lurk)





MANCALA MATCHUP

WHAT IS MANCALA?

Africans have been playing Mancala for centuries — since 1400 B.C., in fact. **Historians believe it's the oldest game in the world.** (Monopoly doesn't even come close!) Although it's a simple game, it may take some time to master — but once you do, you can keep playing game after game for hours! Are you up for the challenge?

YOU'LL NEED

1. Two players
2. Game board

(Turn the page for this. Carefully pull the pages from the magazine so the game board stays in one piece)

3. A total of 48 small tokens

(We suggest using pennies or paper clips)

Turn to
page 30 for
the rules!



MANCALA

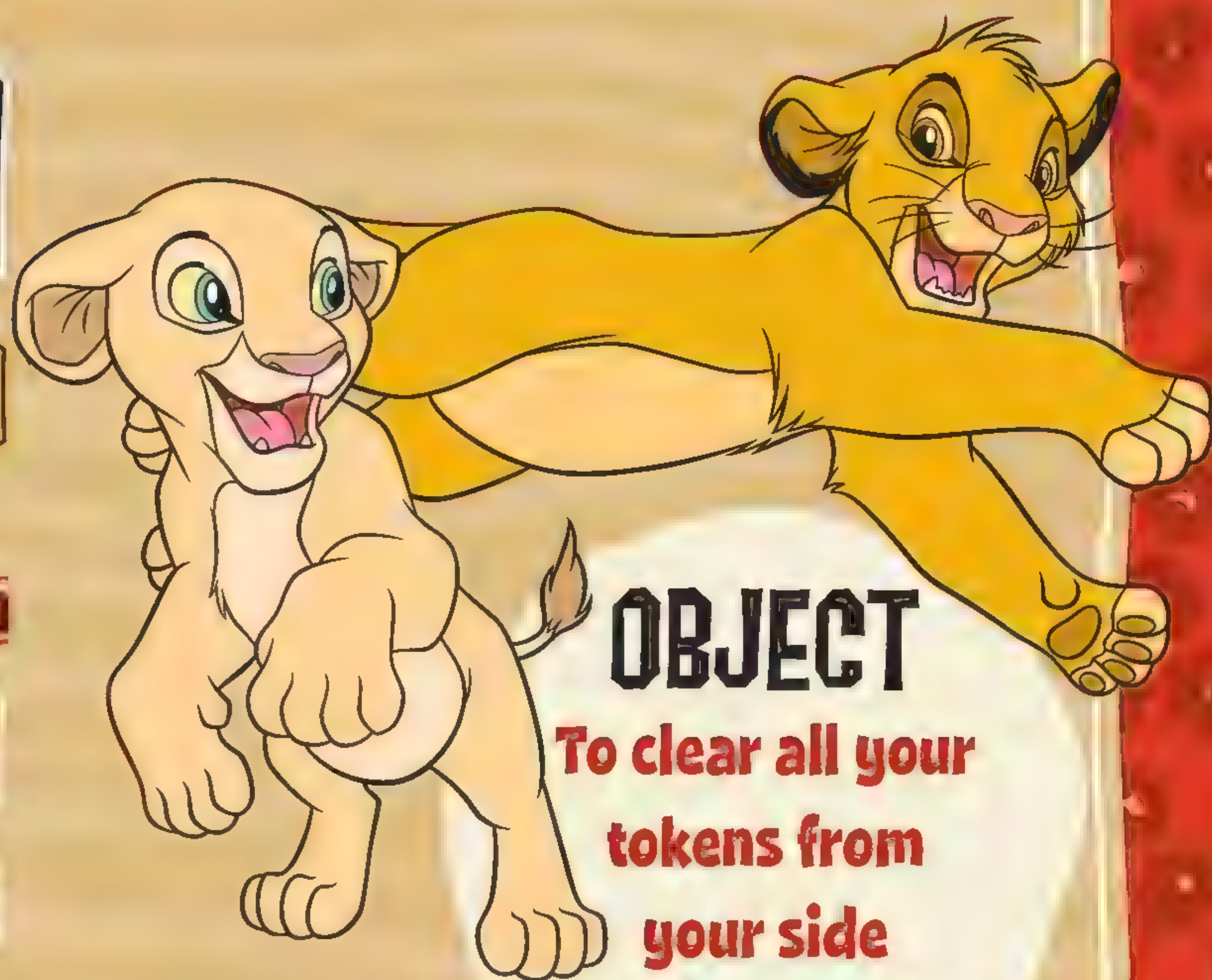




MATCHUP



MANCALA MATCHUP RULES



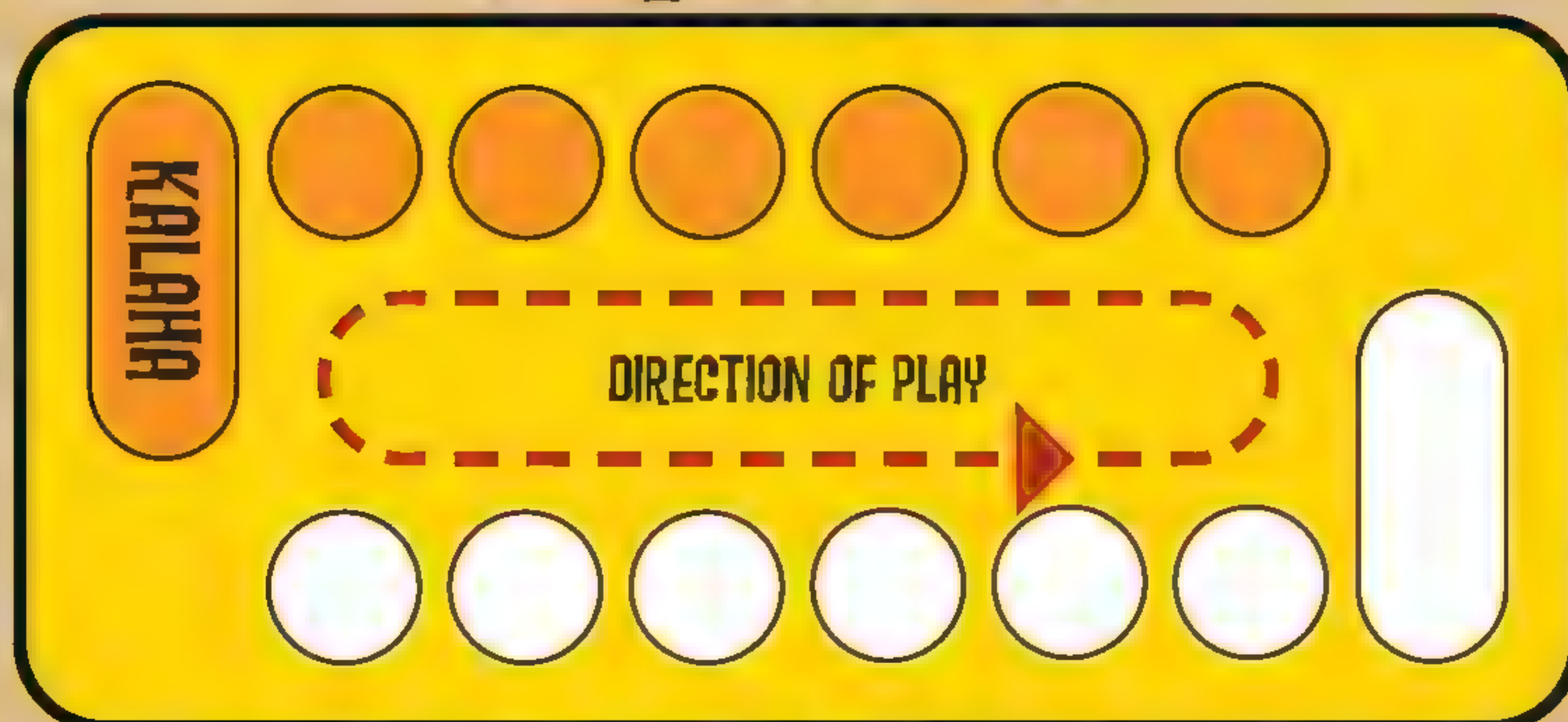
OBJECT

To clear all your tokens from your side of the board.

HOW TO PLAY

- 1 Each player **gets 24 tokens**.
- 2 Each player puts four tokens in each of the six sections on their side of the board. The two larger sections at either end of the board, called **kalahas**, should be empty when you start the game.
- 3 Decide which player **goes first**.
- 4 The first player removes all the tokens from any one section on his or her side of the board, then **moves to the right**, placing one token in each section. You may place tokens **in your own kalaha**, but not in your opponent's kalaha.
- 5 If your last token lands in your kalaha, you go again. If it doesn't, it's your opponent's turn. If you have tokens left over after placing one in your kalaha, continue by placing remaining tokens in your opponent's sections.
- 6 The player that empties **all of his or her six sections** first wins.

YOUR OPPONENT



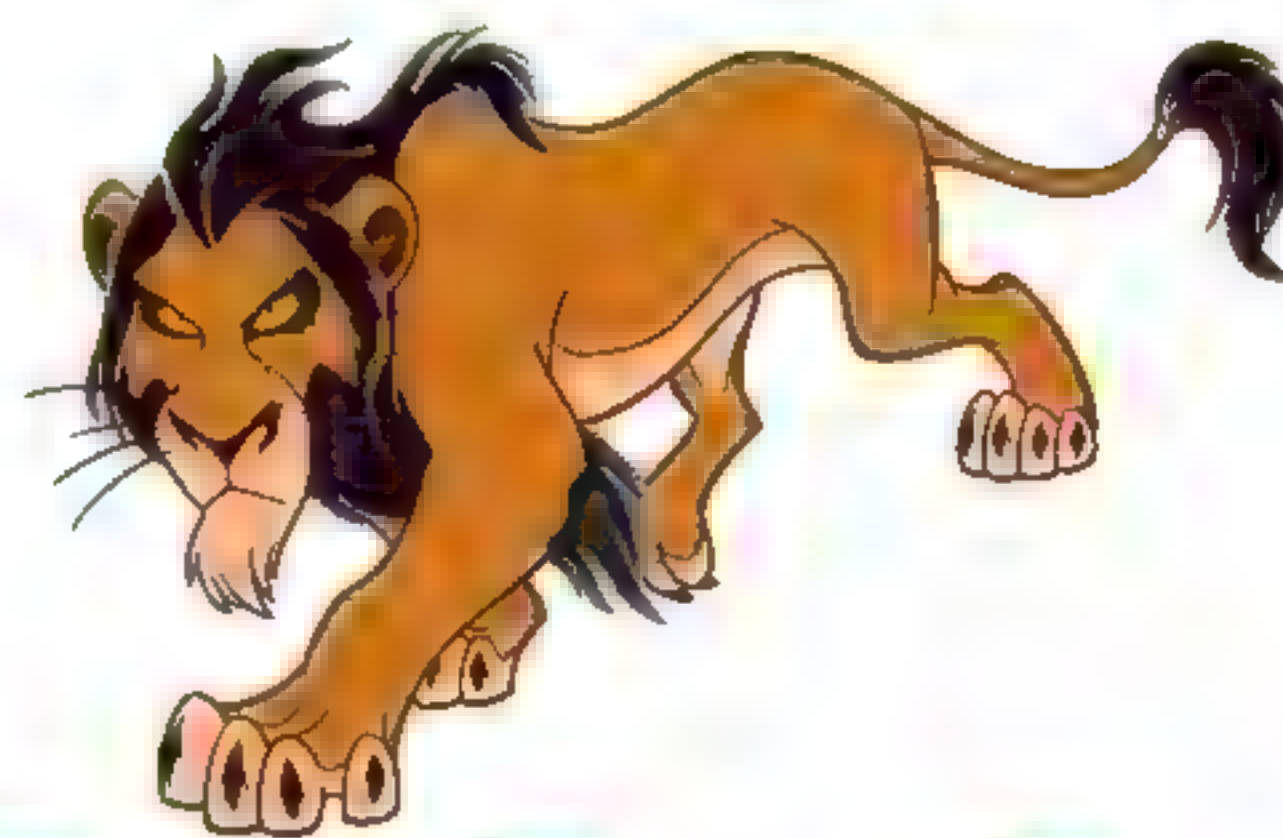
YOU



AVOIDING NASTY ENCOUNTERS

Make your way through the maze, but steer clear of Scar and the hyenas!

WAY IN



WAY OUT

AMAZING AFRICA

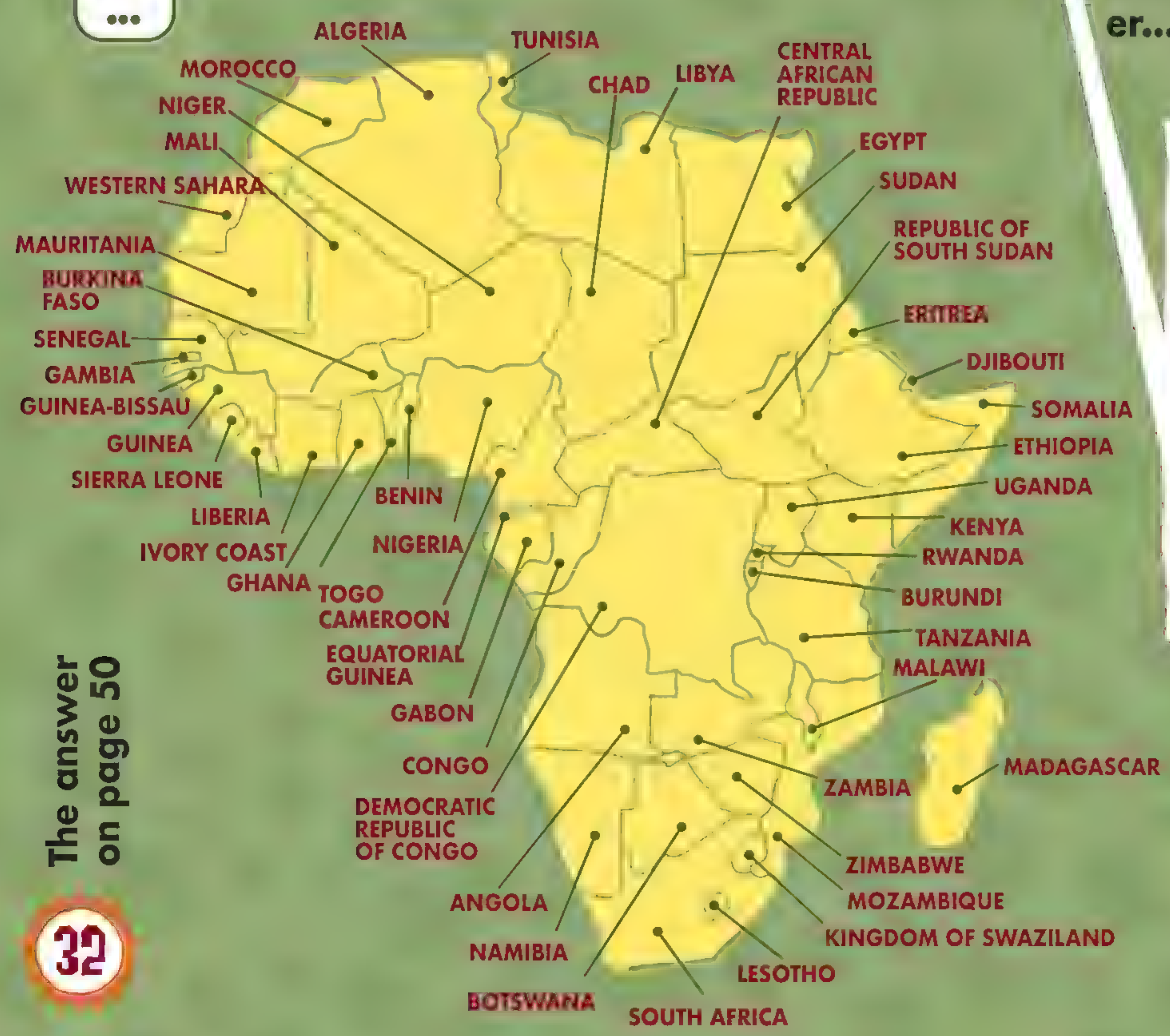


Check out these wild and wacky facts about Africa: it's a whole 'nother world (well, at least a continent)!

AFRICAN STATES

These are the countries in continental Africa. How many of them border Chad? Write your answer below.

...



Beauty contests in Niger! Bororo men dress in tribal makeup and their best clothes, and women choose who will be crowned beauty queen, er... king!



Ostriches do not hide their heads in sand! Ostriches defend themselves with their feet. They're so strong that they can even kick a hole in a car door!

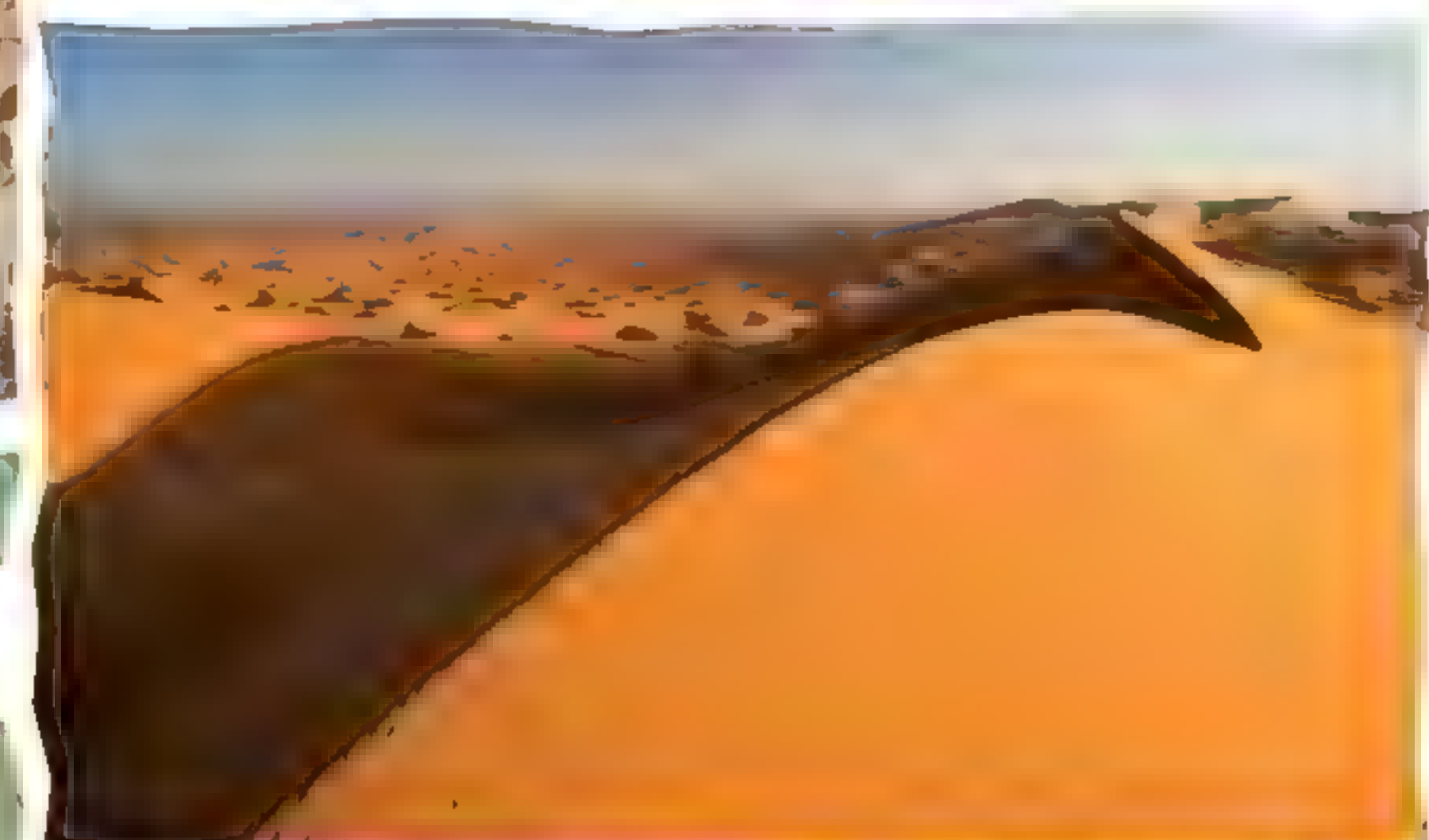
The answer on page 50

The Great Pyramid

Ancient Egyptians built pyramids for their kings. Still standing today, some date back as far as 4,000 years. The largest is called the Great Pyramid and contains more than two million stone blocks!



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The world's longest river

The Nile flows from central Africa to the Mediterranean Sea!



Equator

A zebra or a giraffe?

The okapi may look like a zebra with its striped hind legs, but it is more closely related to the giraffe.



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Beetles

More than 7,000 beetles were once found in a single mound of elephant dung in South Africa's Kruger National Park. The critters create balls from the dung, then bury and later eat them.



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Mount Kilimanjaro

It's an inactive volcano in northeast Tanzania and the highest mountain in Africa at 19,341 feet.



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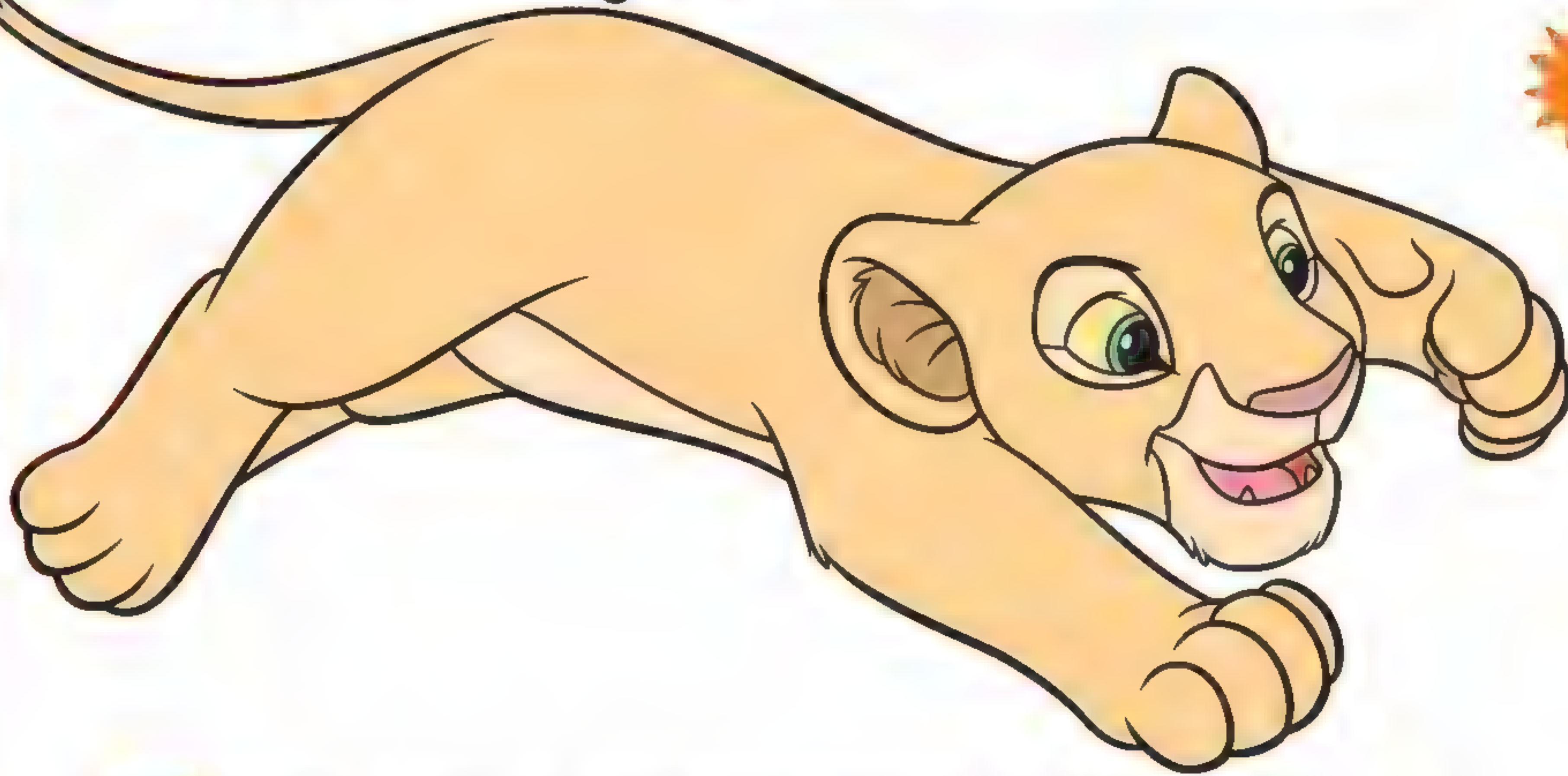
AMAZING QUIZ

Put your memory to the test!

Match each question with the right answer.

- 1 What bird can break a car door with its feet?..... ☐
- 2 What is the world's largest desert?..... ☐
- 3 In beauty contests in Niger, who is crowned the winner, kings or queens?..... ☐
- 4 What animal looks like a cross between a zebra and a giraffe?..... ☐

- A KILIMANJARO
- B OKAPI
- C NILE
- D EGYPT
- E OSTRICH
- F BEETLES
- G KINGS
- H SAHARA

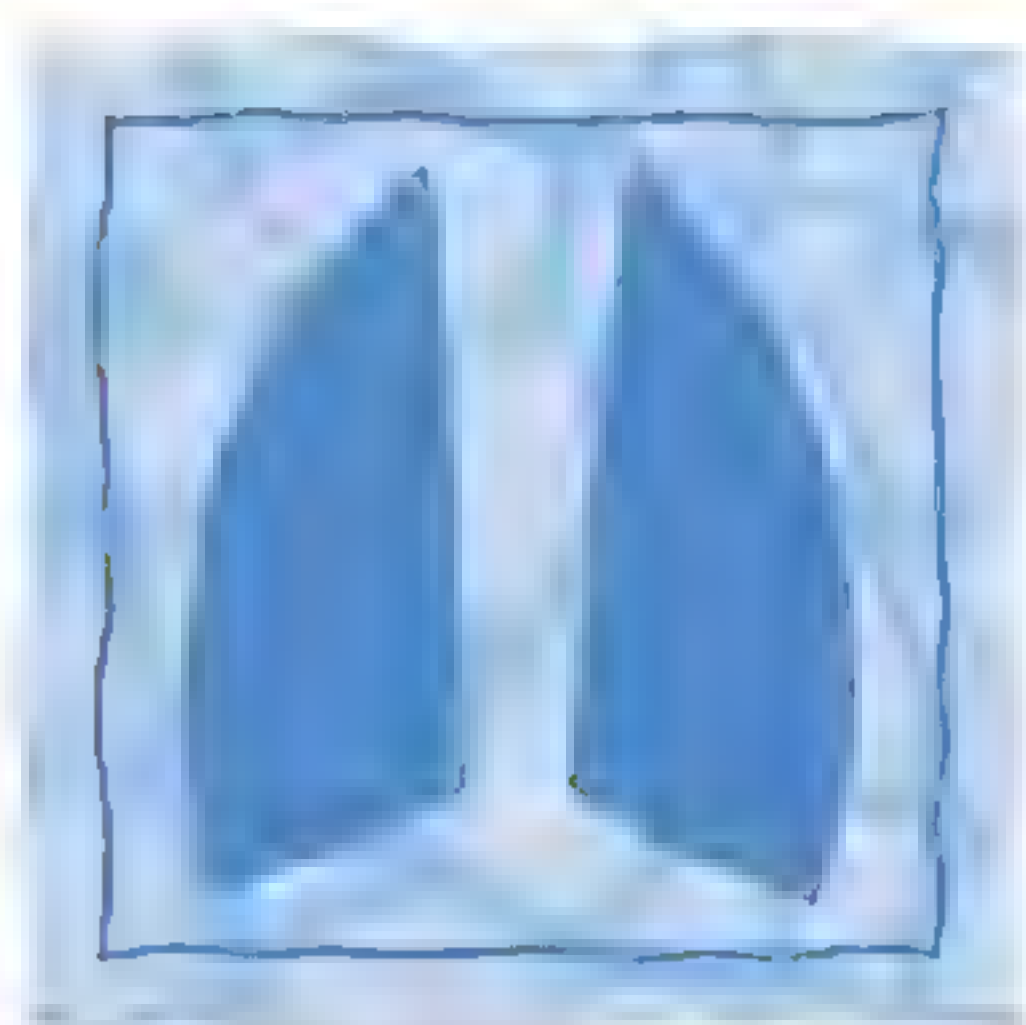


- 5 What's the highest mountain in Africa?..... ☐
- 6 What animals eat elephant dung?..... ☐
- 7 Africa is home to the world's longest river. What's its name?..... ☐
- 8 Where are the pyramids located?..... ☐

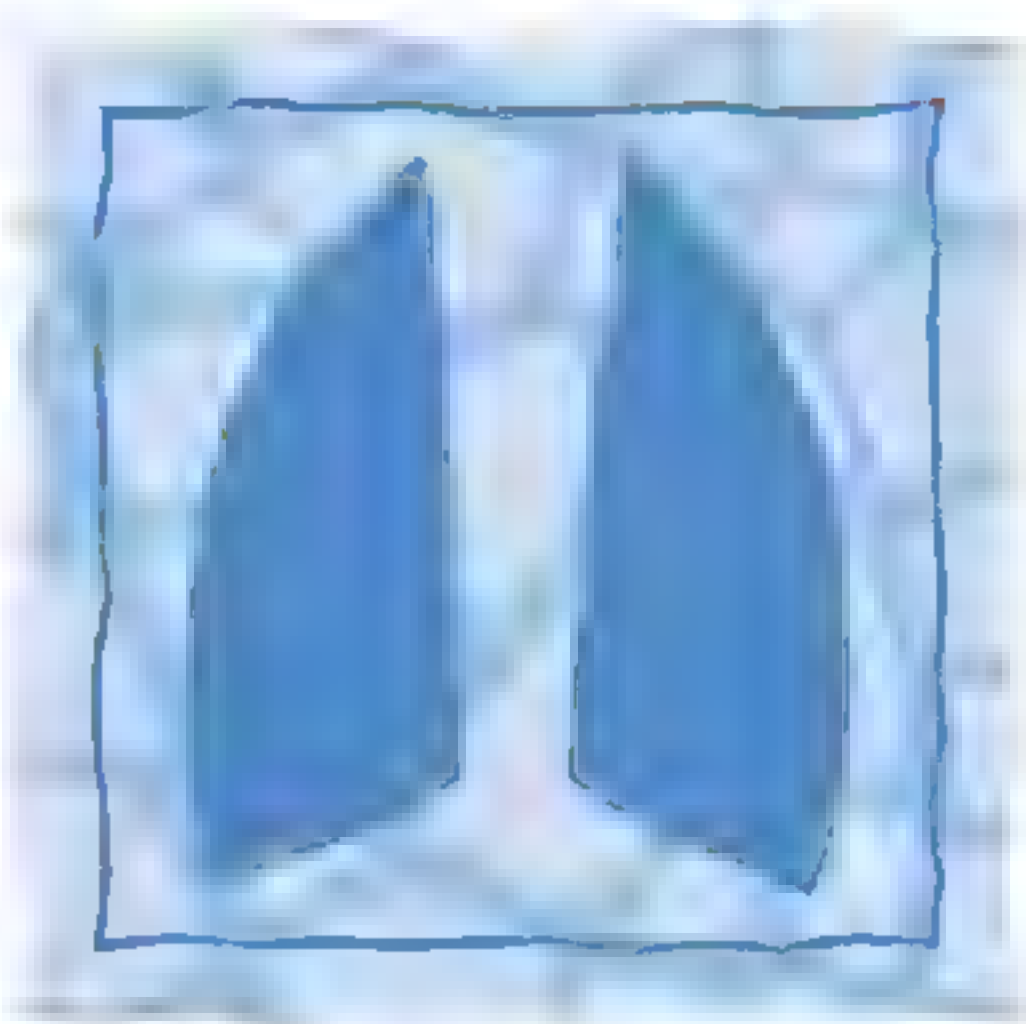
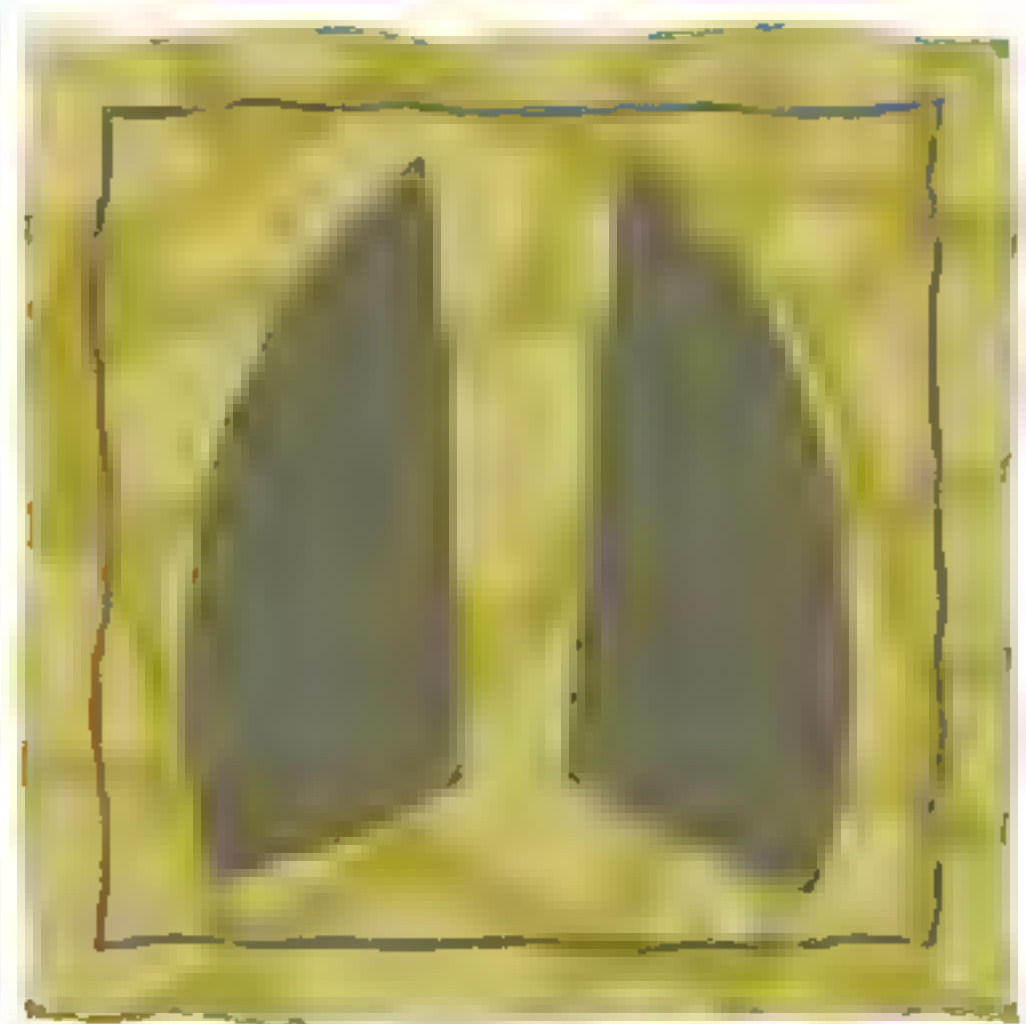
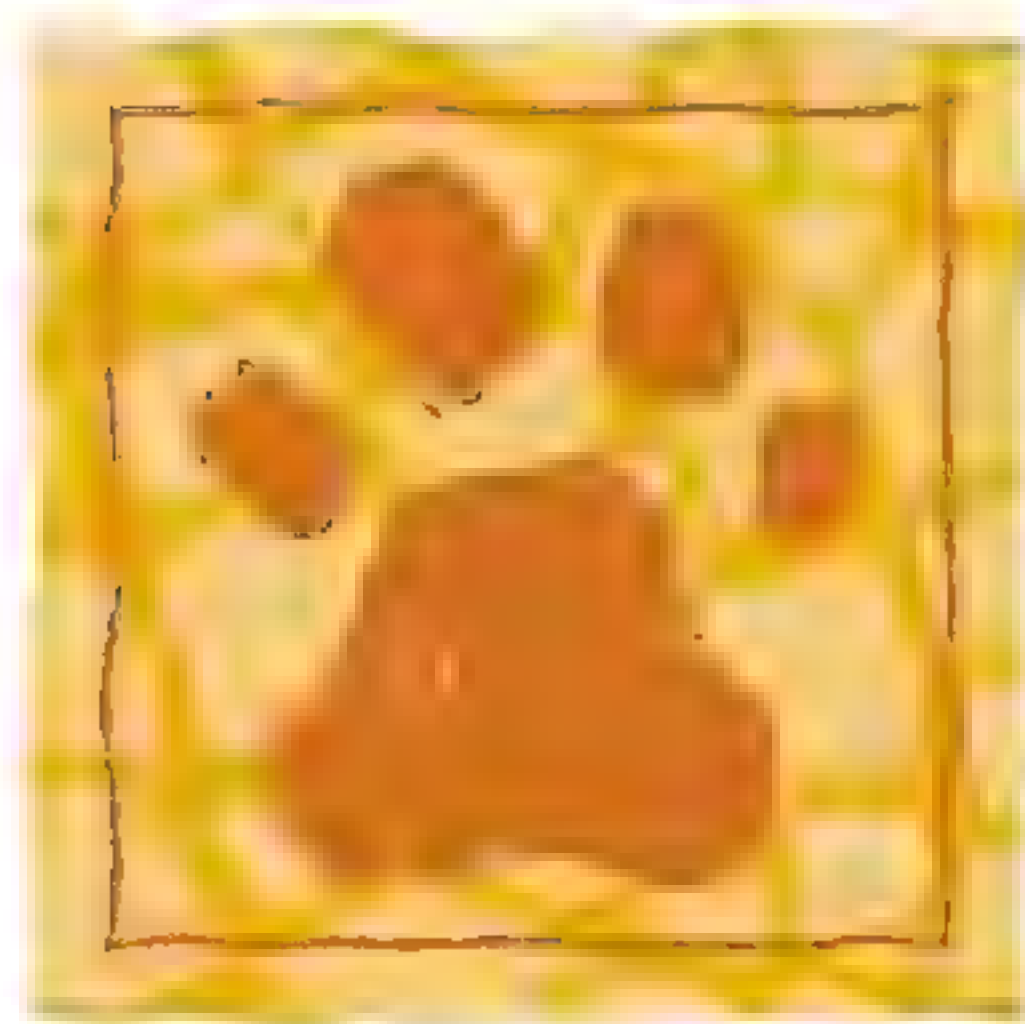
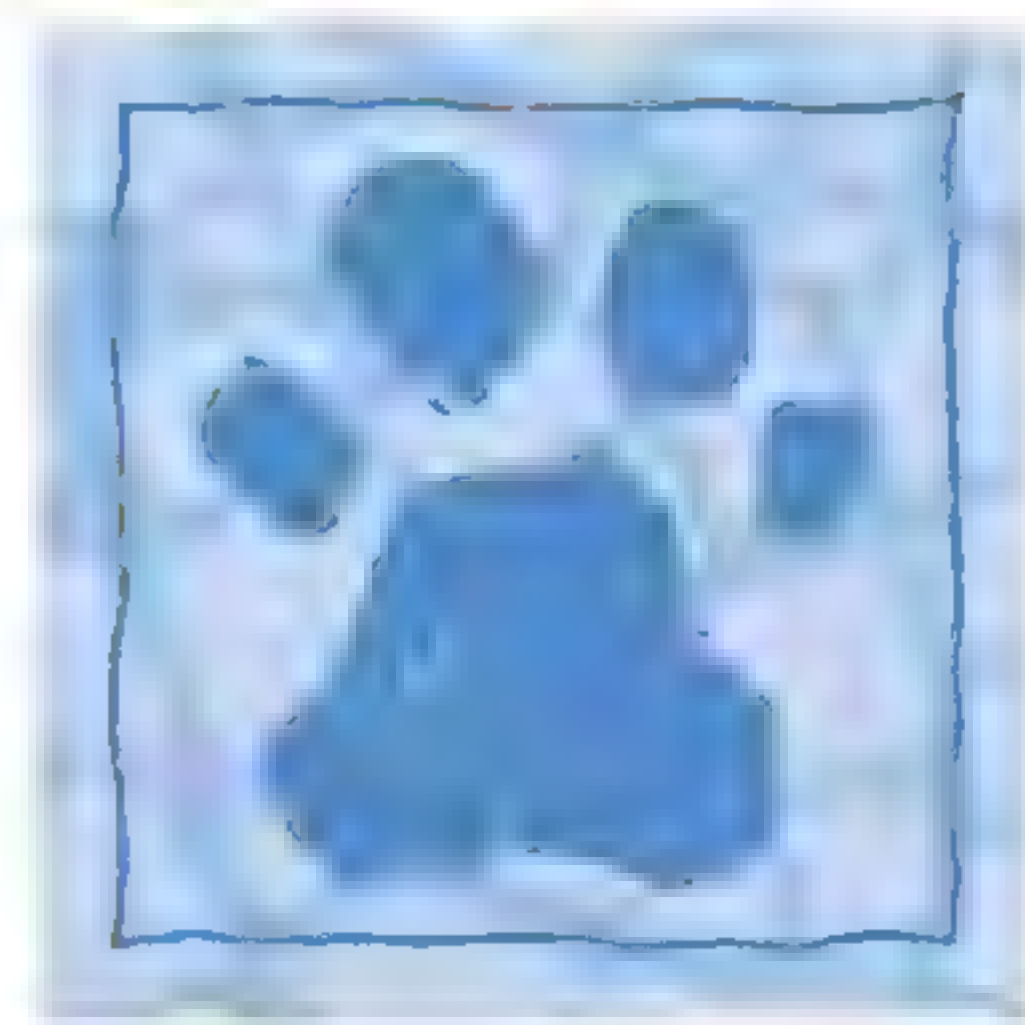
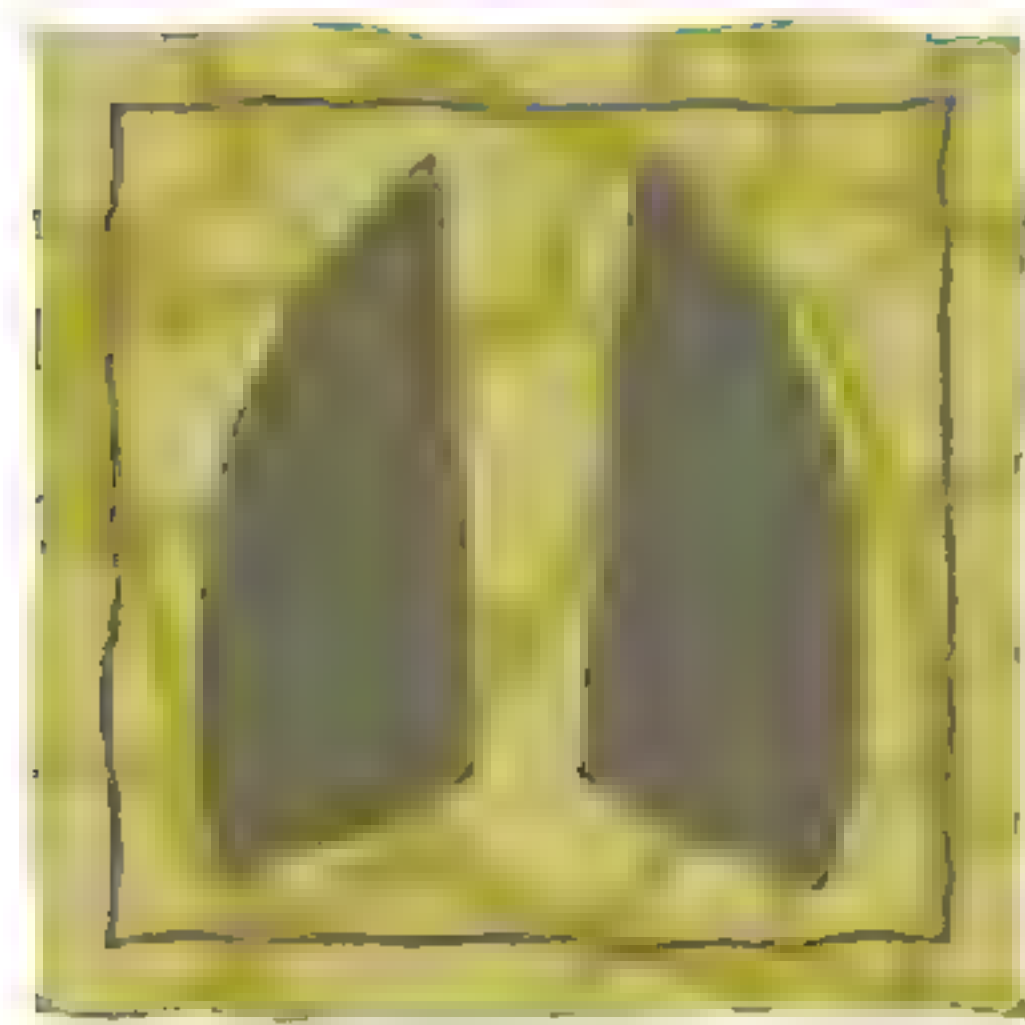
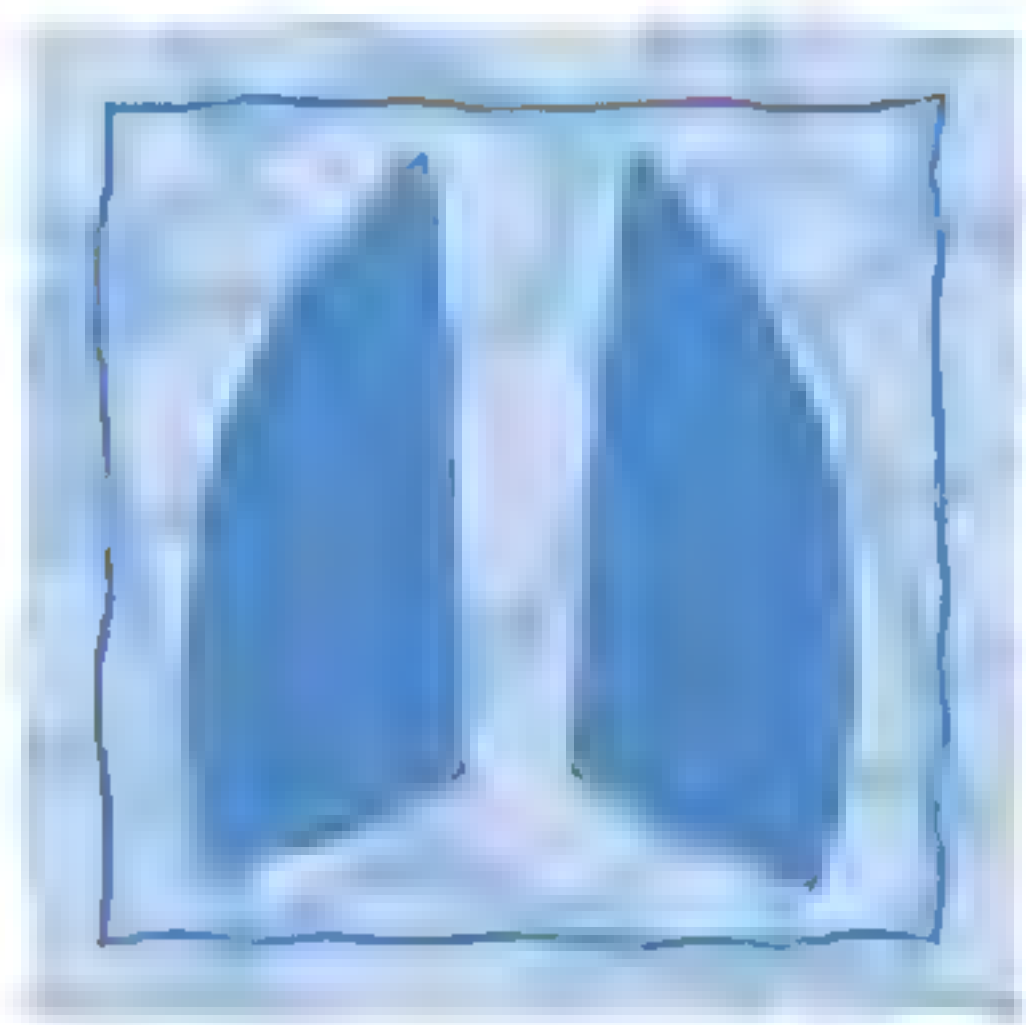
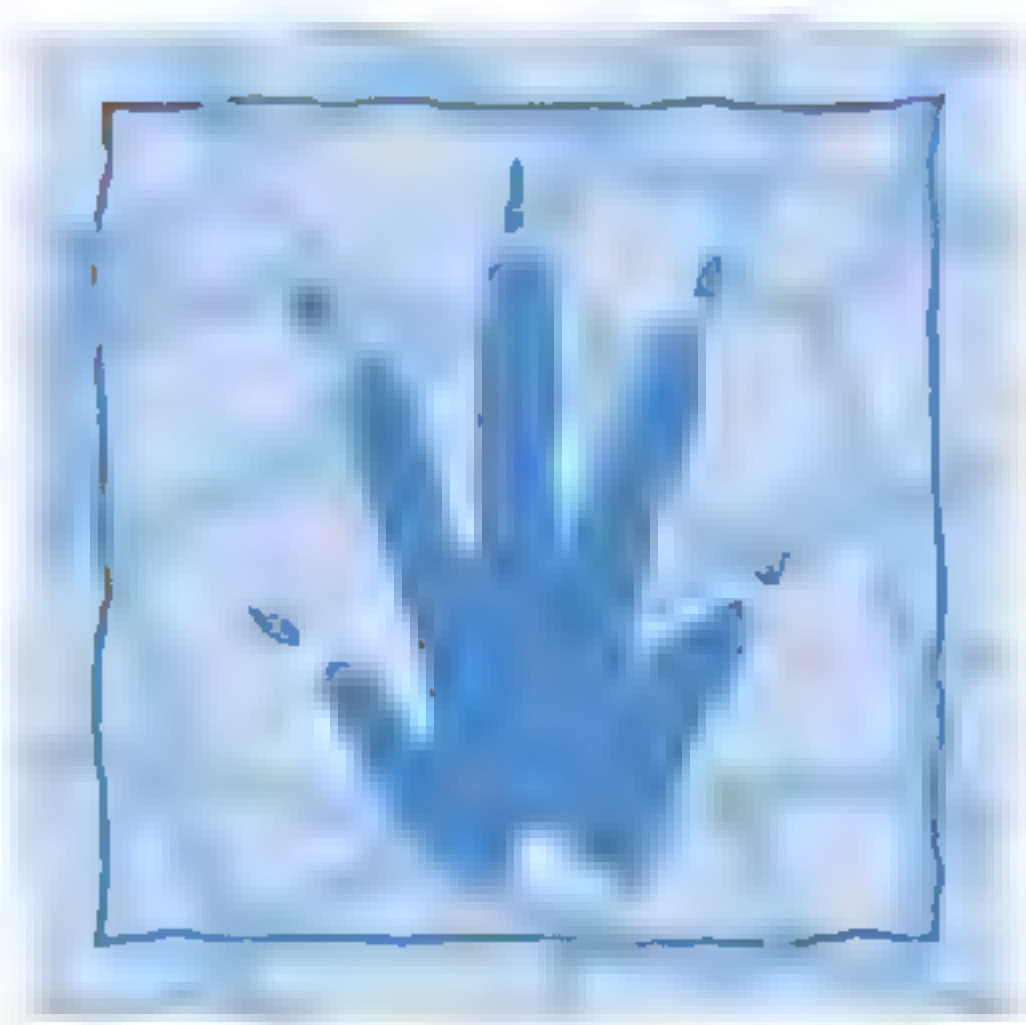
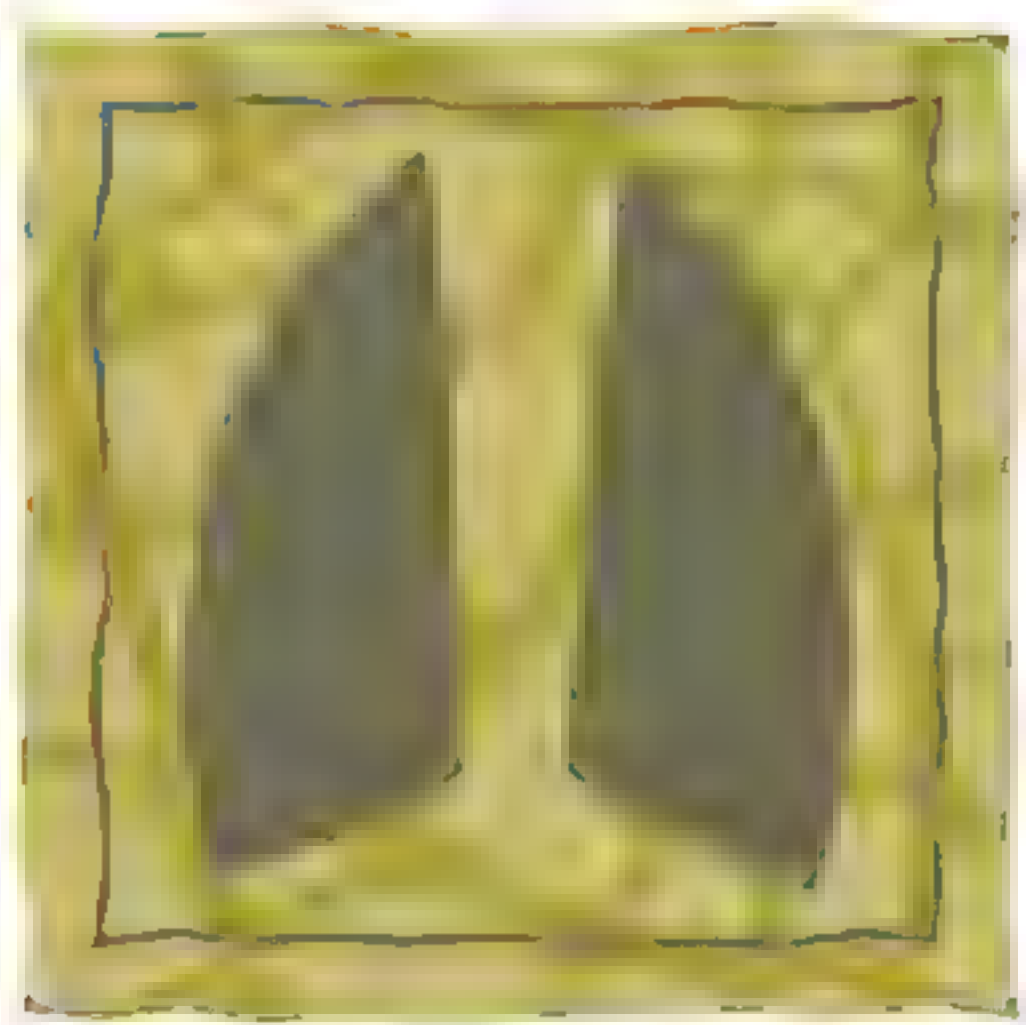
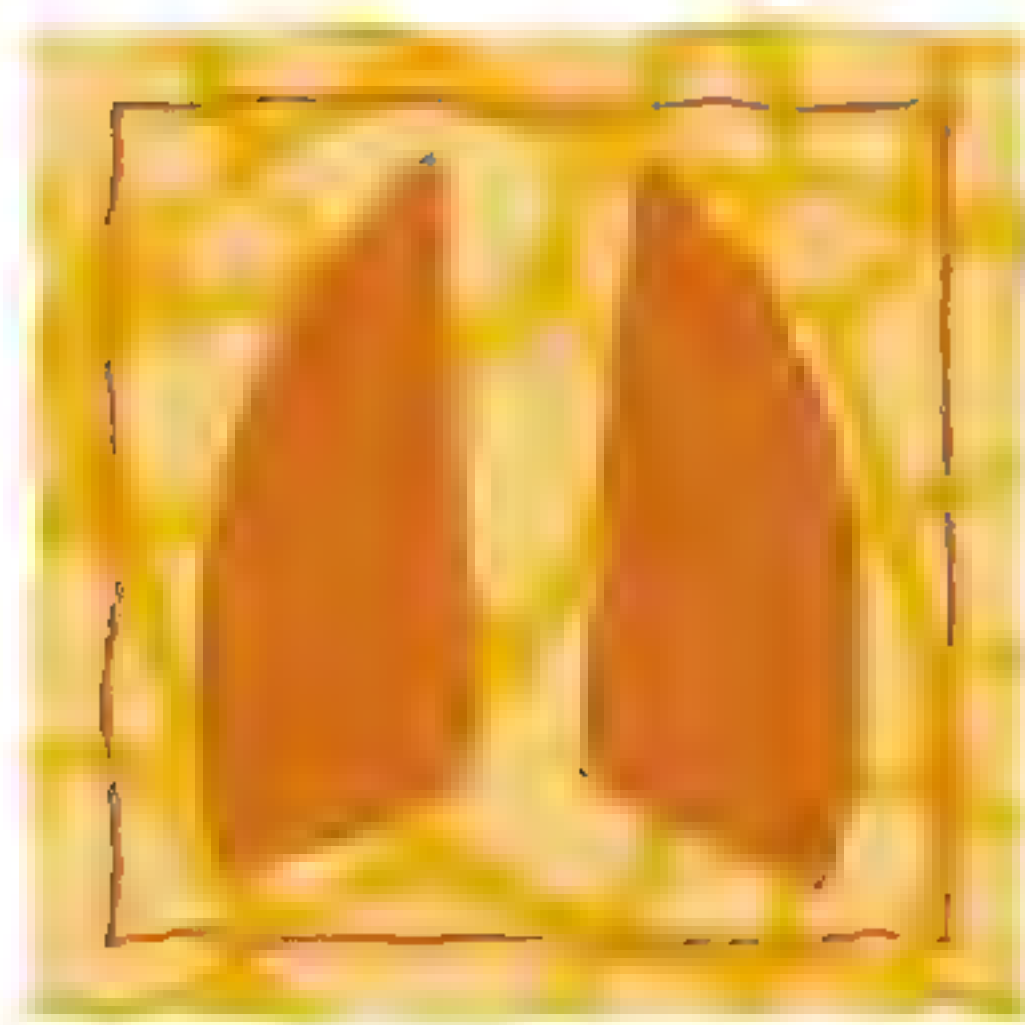




PAW PRINT CHALLENGE



A game
for 2 players.
Rules on page 36.



RULES

Shuffle the cards and deal them out evenly between you and the other player. Decide who goes first. The first player puts down any card, face up. The other player can put a card on top of it if the symbol or the color (or both) matches up. If you don't have any matching cards, it's the other player's turn. **The winner is the first player to use up all their cards.**



Cut out along the dotted lines!



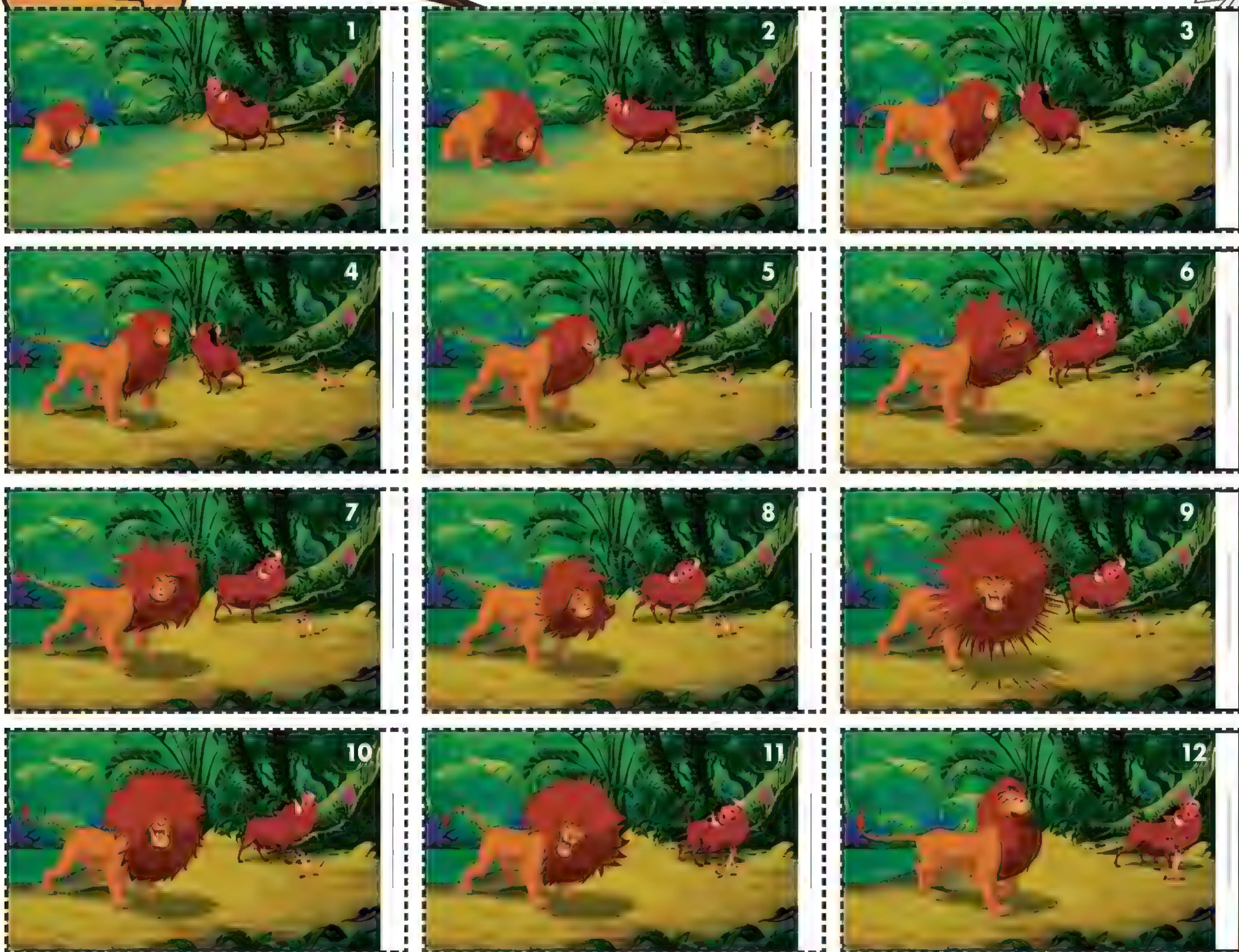


LION FUN

ANIMATION CREATION

Create your own LION KING cartoon!

Make your very own Lion King mini-movie. With this two-in-one flipbook, you'll create two movies at once! Just follow the directions to make Simba, Timon, Pumbaa and Nala come to life!



STEP 1: CUT!

With scissors, carefully cut out the panels along the dotted lines. When you're cutting out one side, you're also cutting out a panel on the other side of the page!

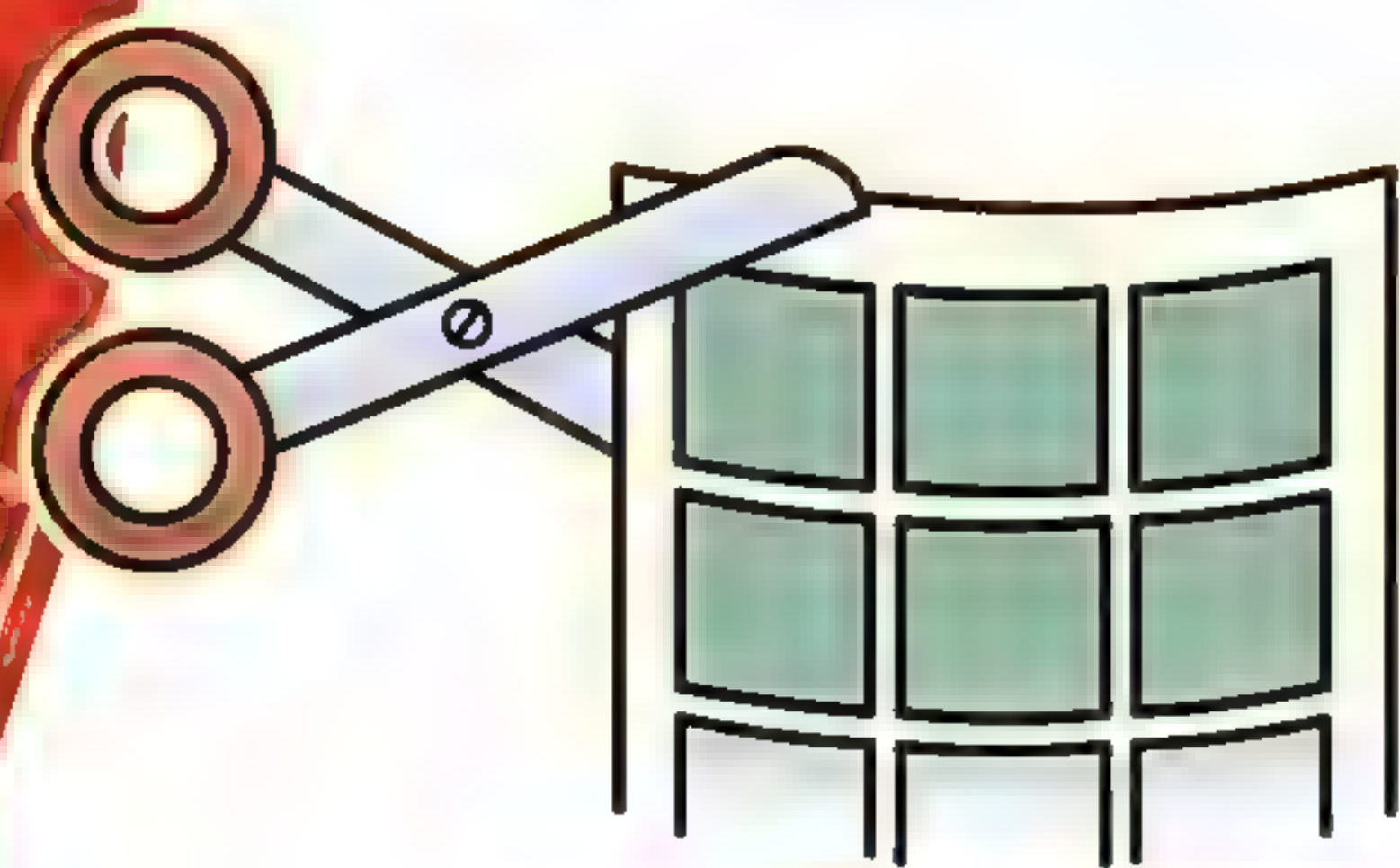
STEP 2: STACK!

Once you've got the panels cut out, stack them on top of each other in order. Start with 1 and end with 12.

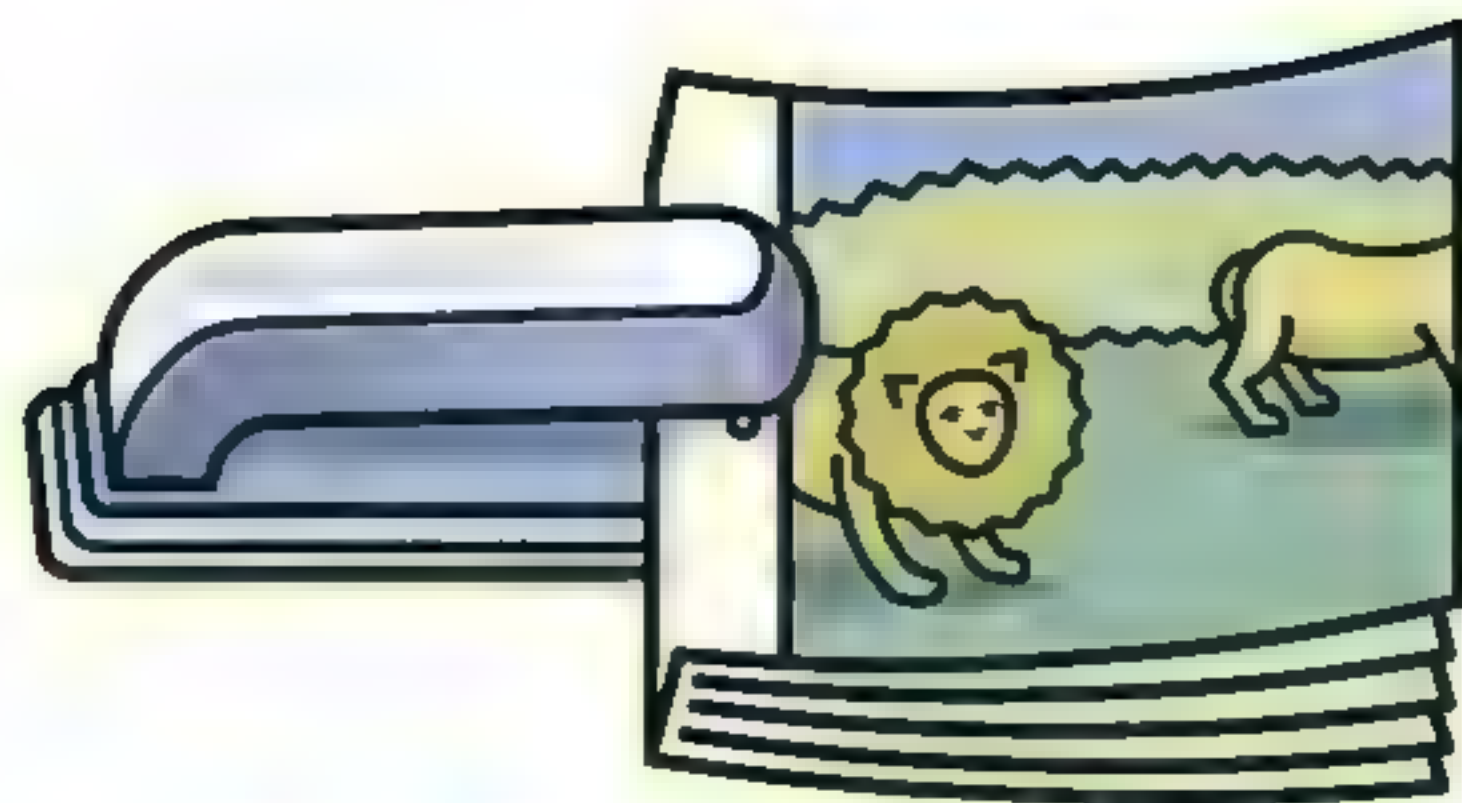
STEP 3: STAPLE!

You've got to keep the pages together! Use a stapler to clip the stack of panels into one big stack. Put your staple on the right side!

TURN!



CUT!



STAPLE!



FLIP!



STEP 4: FLIP!

It's movie time! Hold the completed stack of panels in your right hand. Then flip the stack with your left thumb to watch the "mane" event!

STEP 5: FLIP AGAIN!

When you're done watching Simba, Timon and Pumbaa, turn the stack over to catch Simba and Nala in action! For this side, you'll need to hold the panels in your left hand, and flip them with your right thumb.

THE PRIDE LANDS.

AS THE SEASONS PASS,
THE PLEASANT TEMPERATURES AND
RENEWAL OF LIFE THAT ARE HAL-
MARKS OF SPRING GIVE WAY TO
THE HEAT OF SUMMER.

BUT AS THIS SUMMER
GOES ON, THE WEATHER
GETS FAR HOTTER AND
DRIER THAN IS NORMAL.



A DROUGHT HAS ARRIVED!

AND IT
COULD SPELL
TROUBLE FOR
THE PRIDE
LANDS!

FROM HIGH ATOP PRIDE ROCK, SIMBA AND RAFIKI WATCH WITH HEAVY HEARTS AS DROUGHT TRANSFORMS THE LAND.

NOT A DROP
OF RAIN IN
WEEKS!

THE LAND
IS DRYING UP
BEFORE OUR
EYES, RAFIKI!

I'VE GOT
TO DO
SOMETHING!

Disney
THE

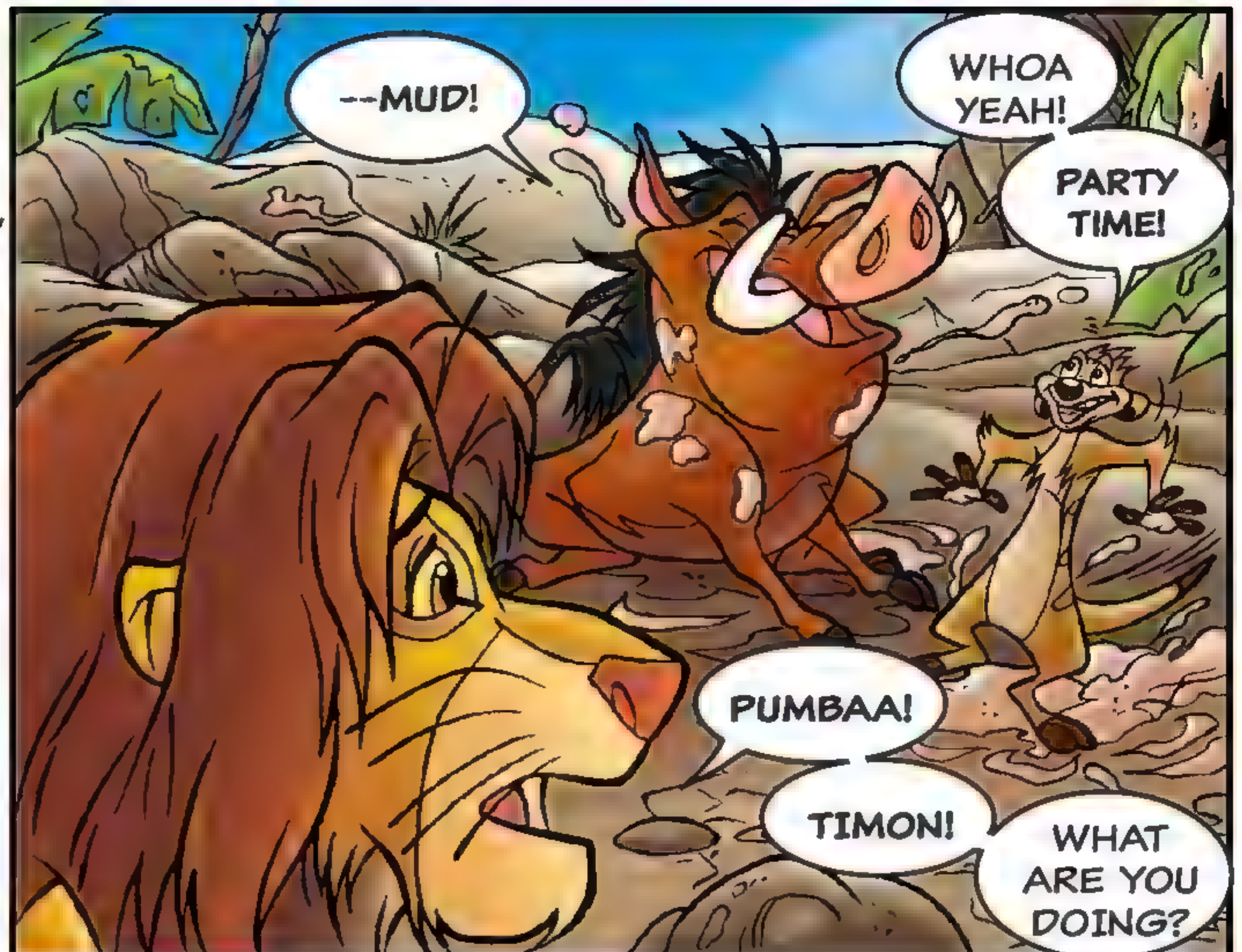
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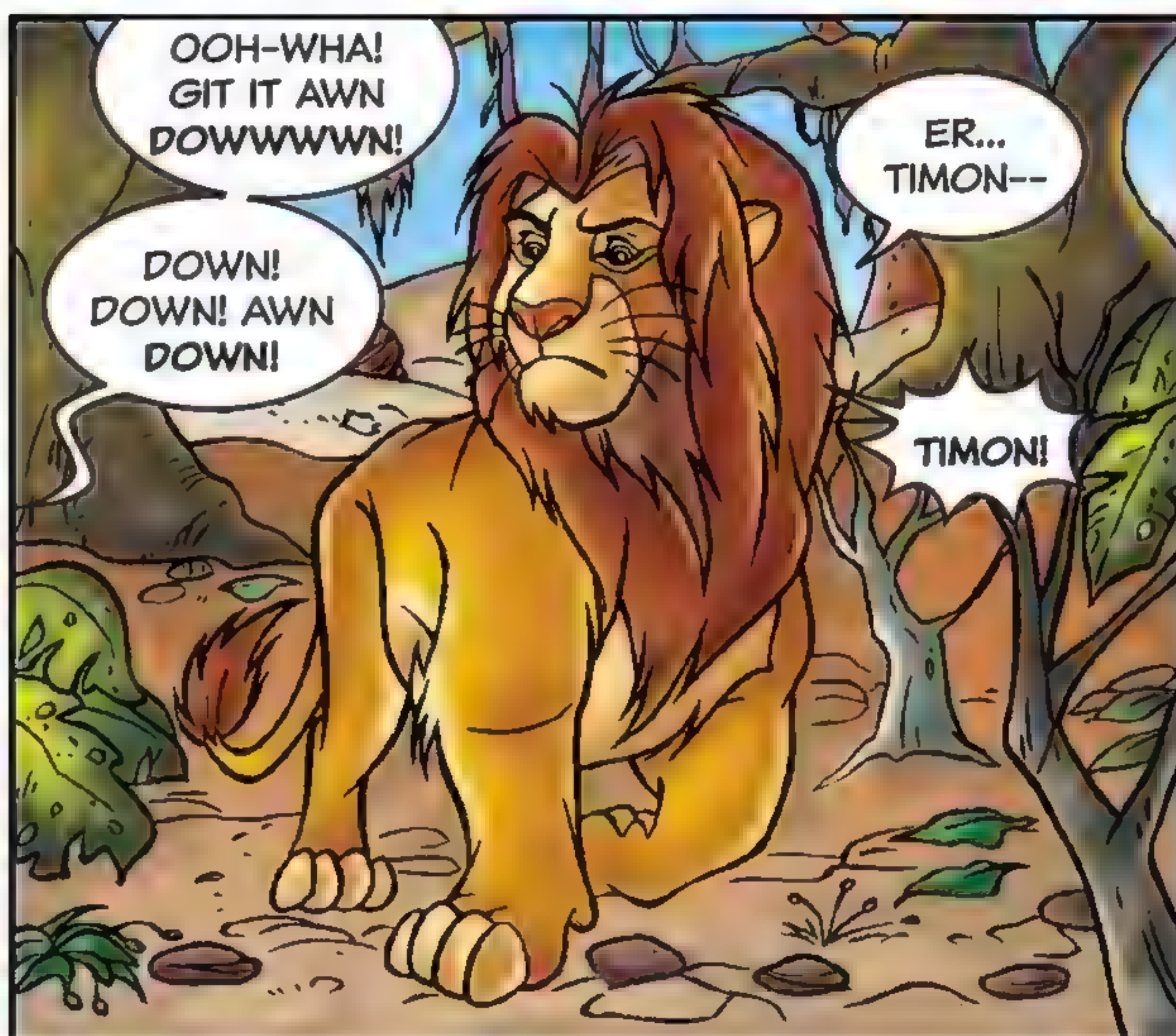
NEVER HAS
THERE BEEN A DRY
SEASON QUITE SO
SEVERE AS WE ARE
SEEING NOW.

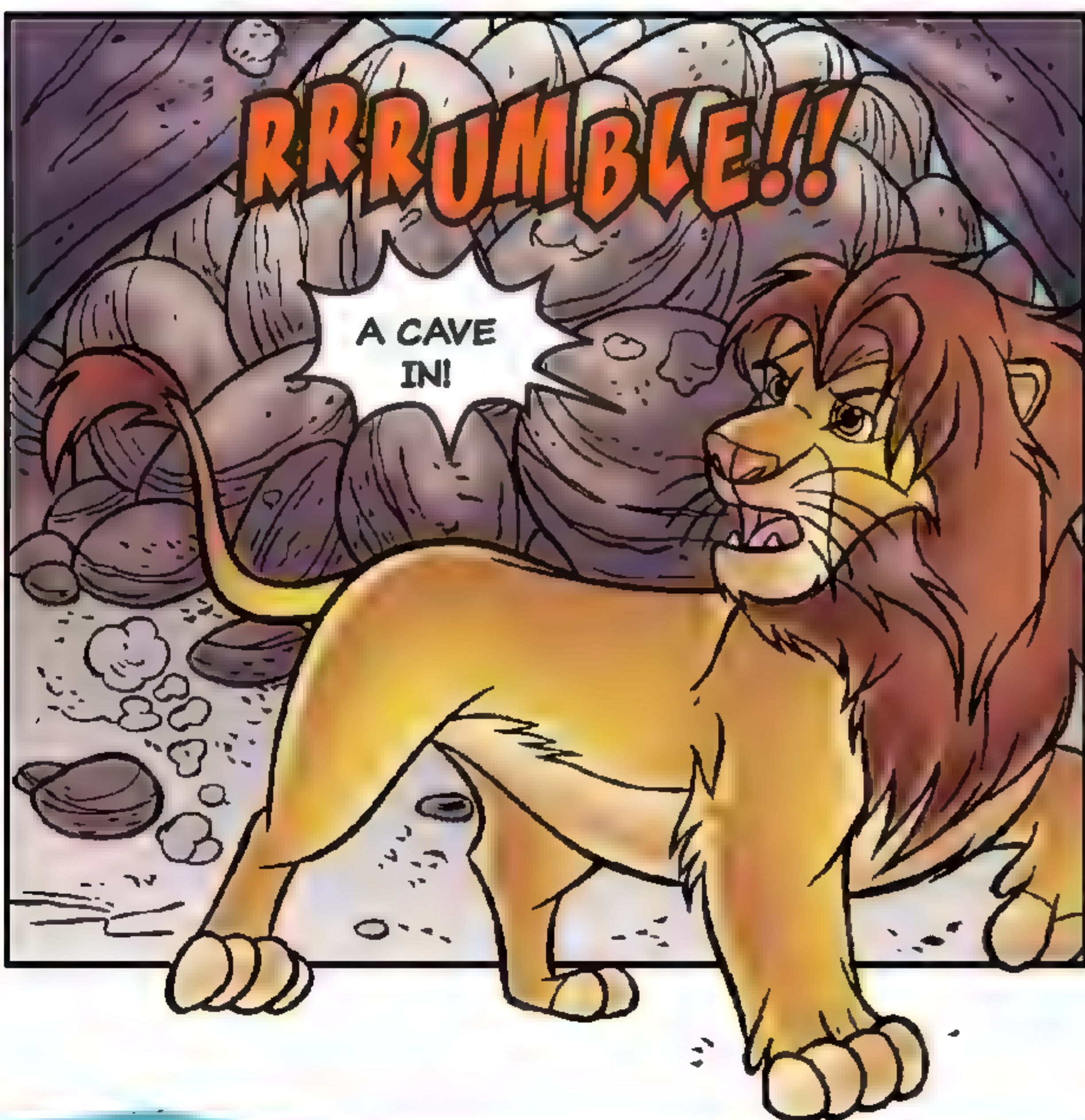
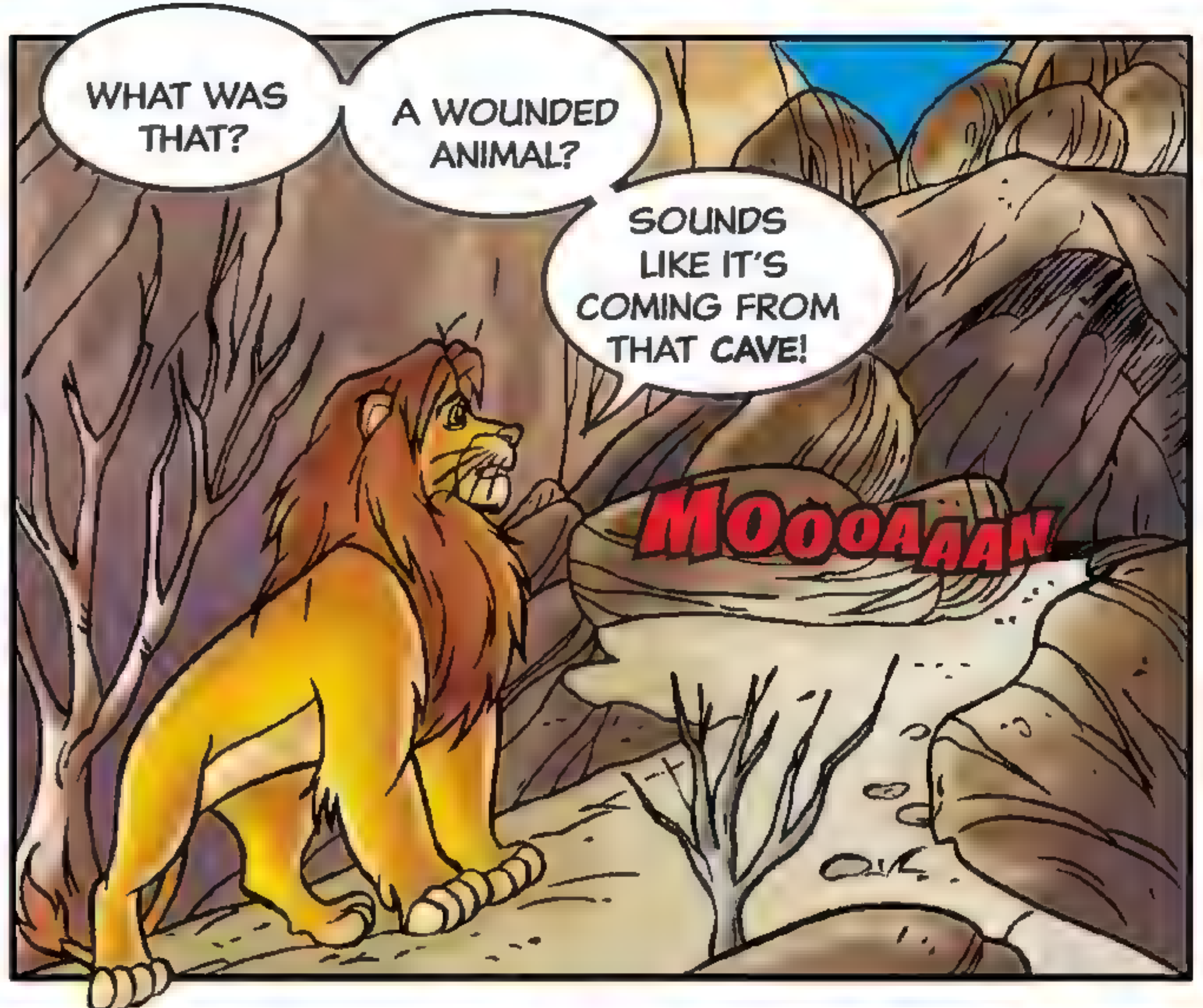
“SIMBA’S RAIN”

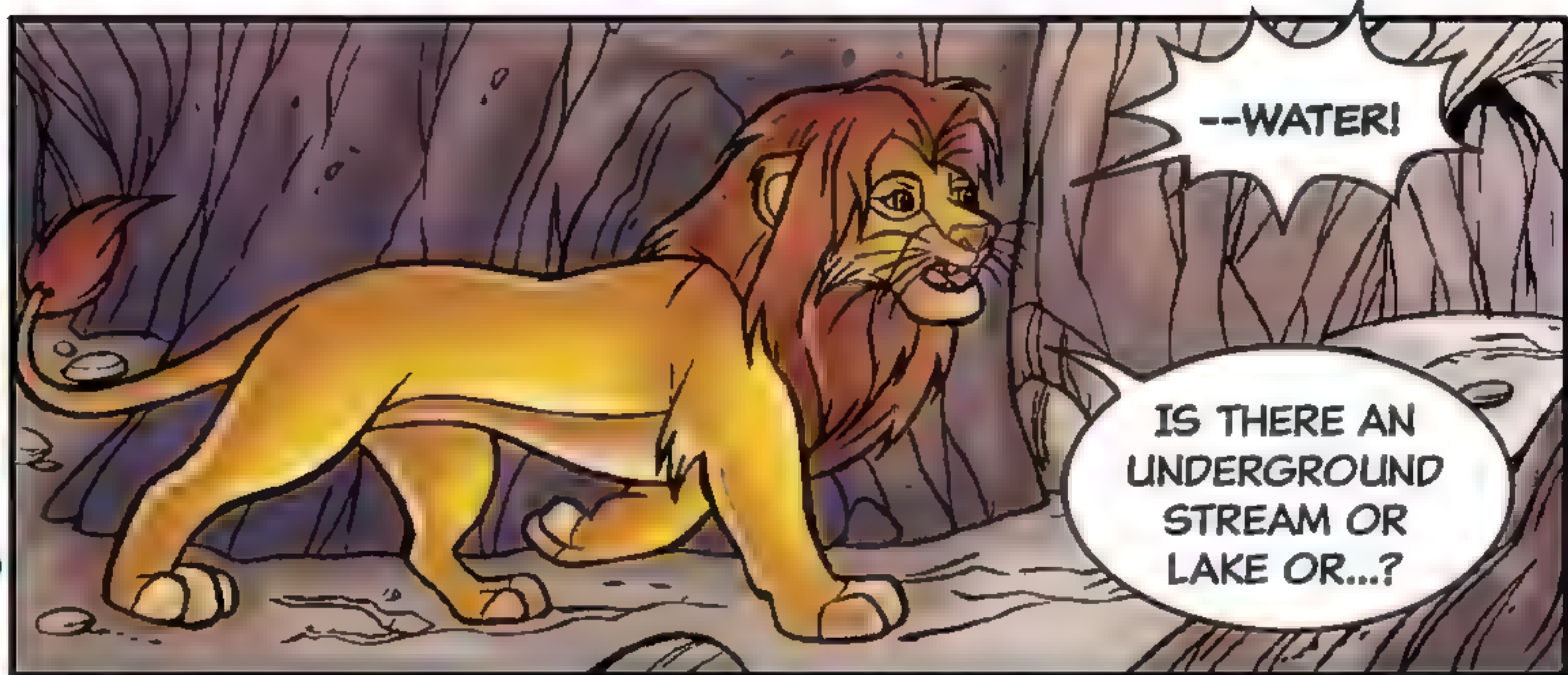
SIGH!

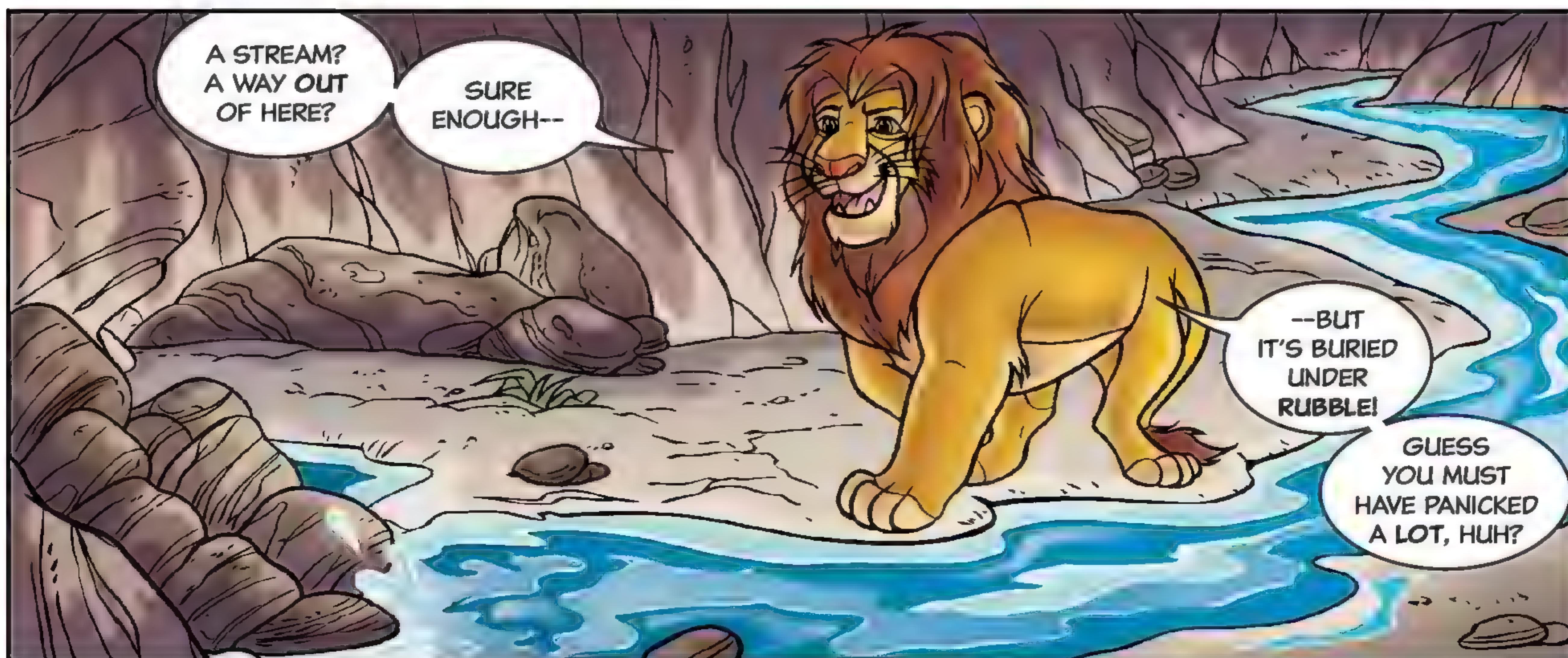
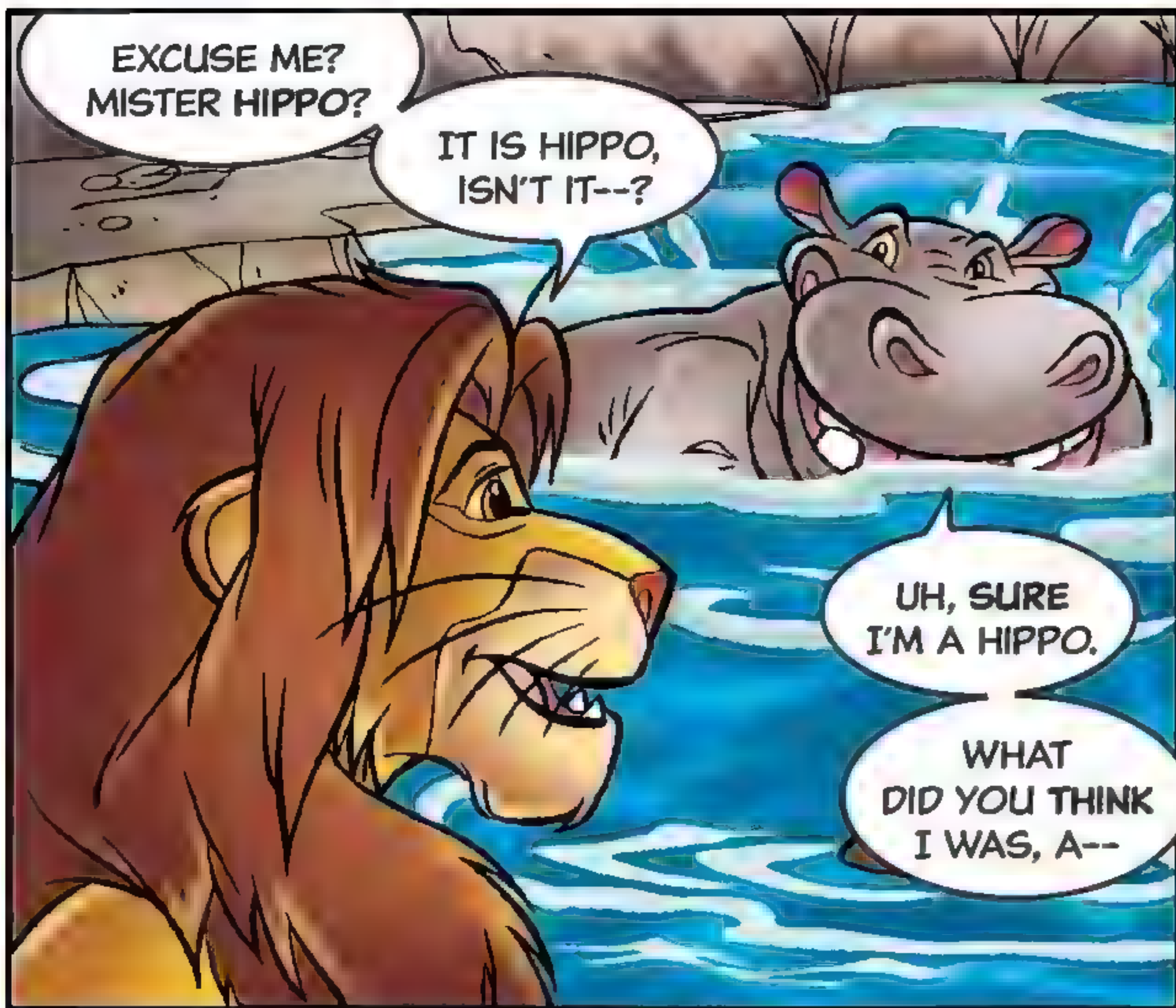
YOU
CANNOT FIGHT
NATURE,
SIMBA!

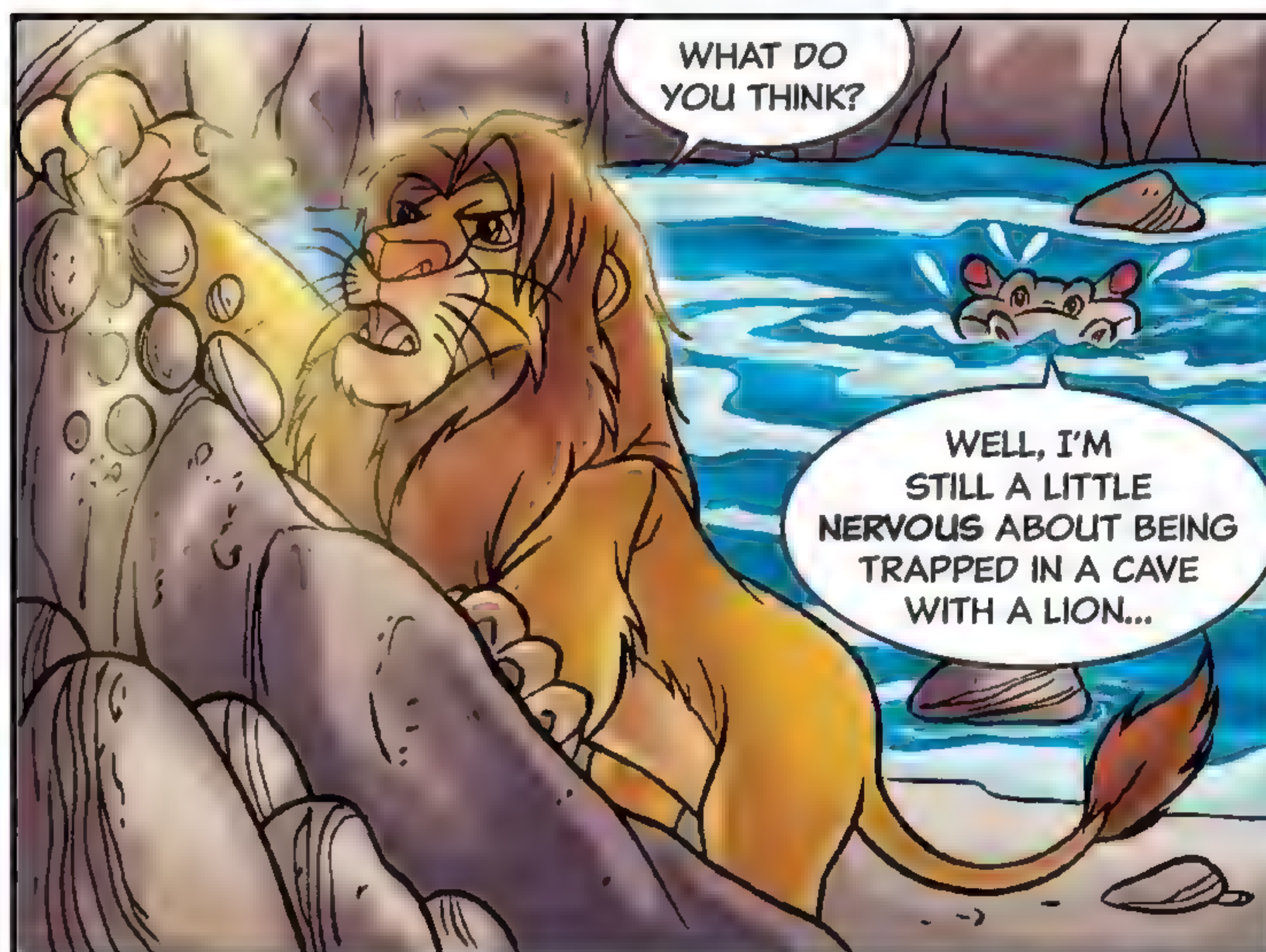
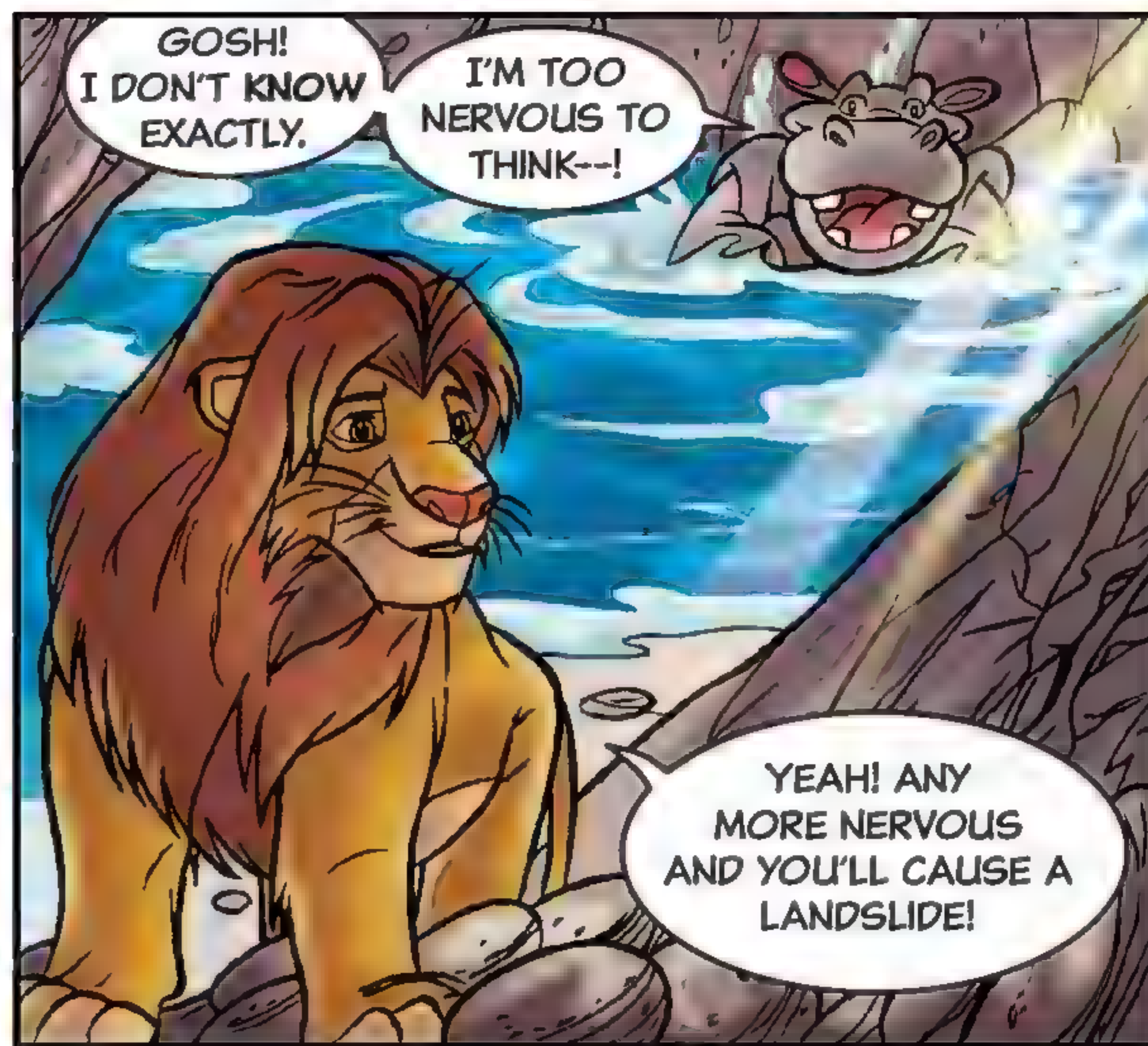
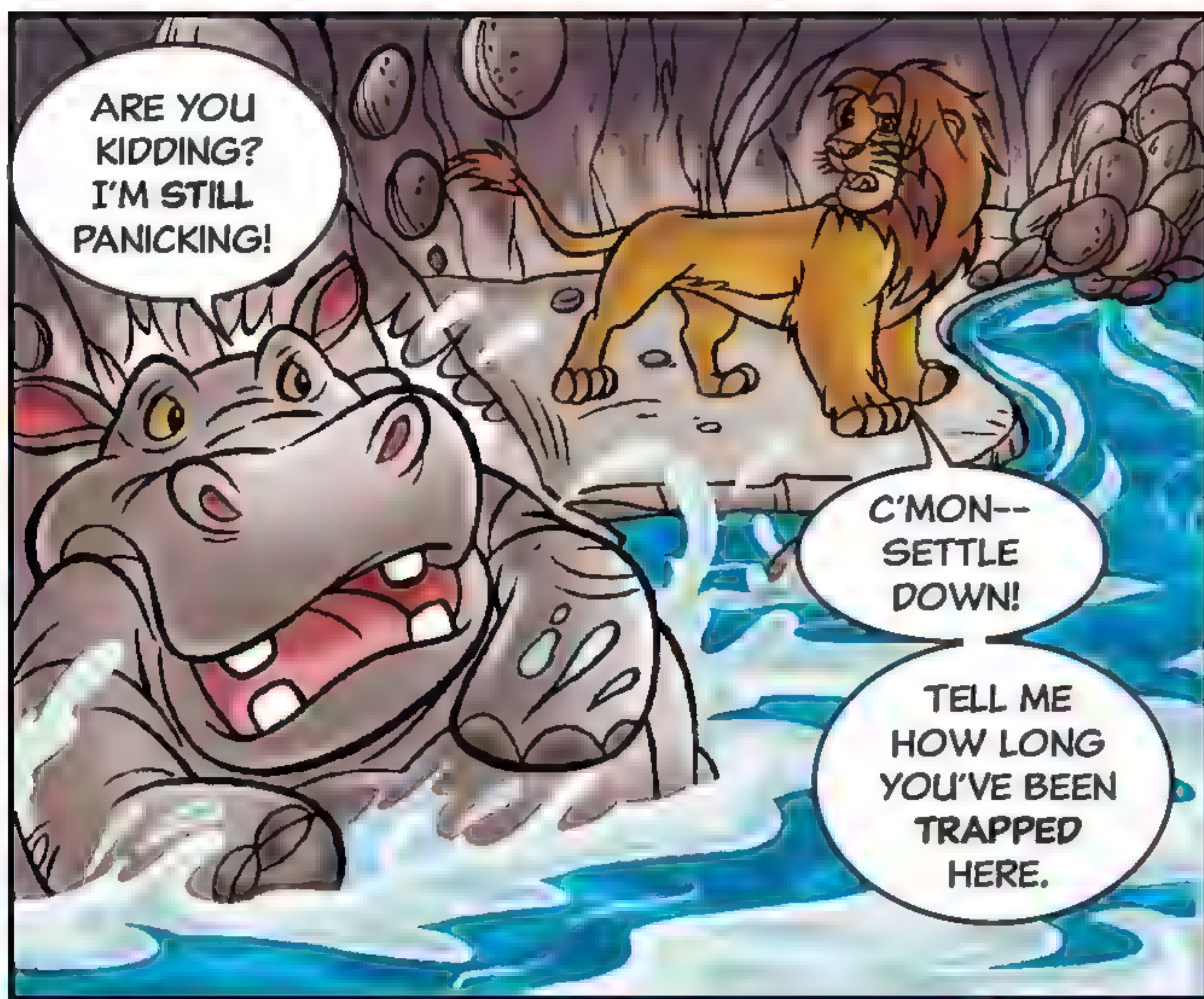


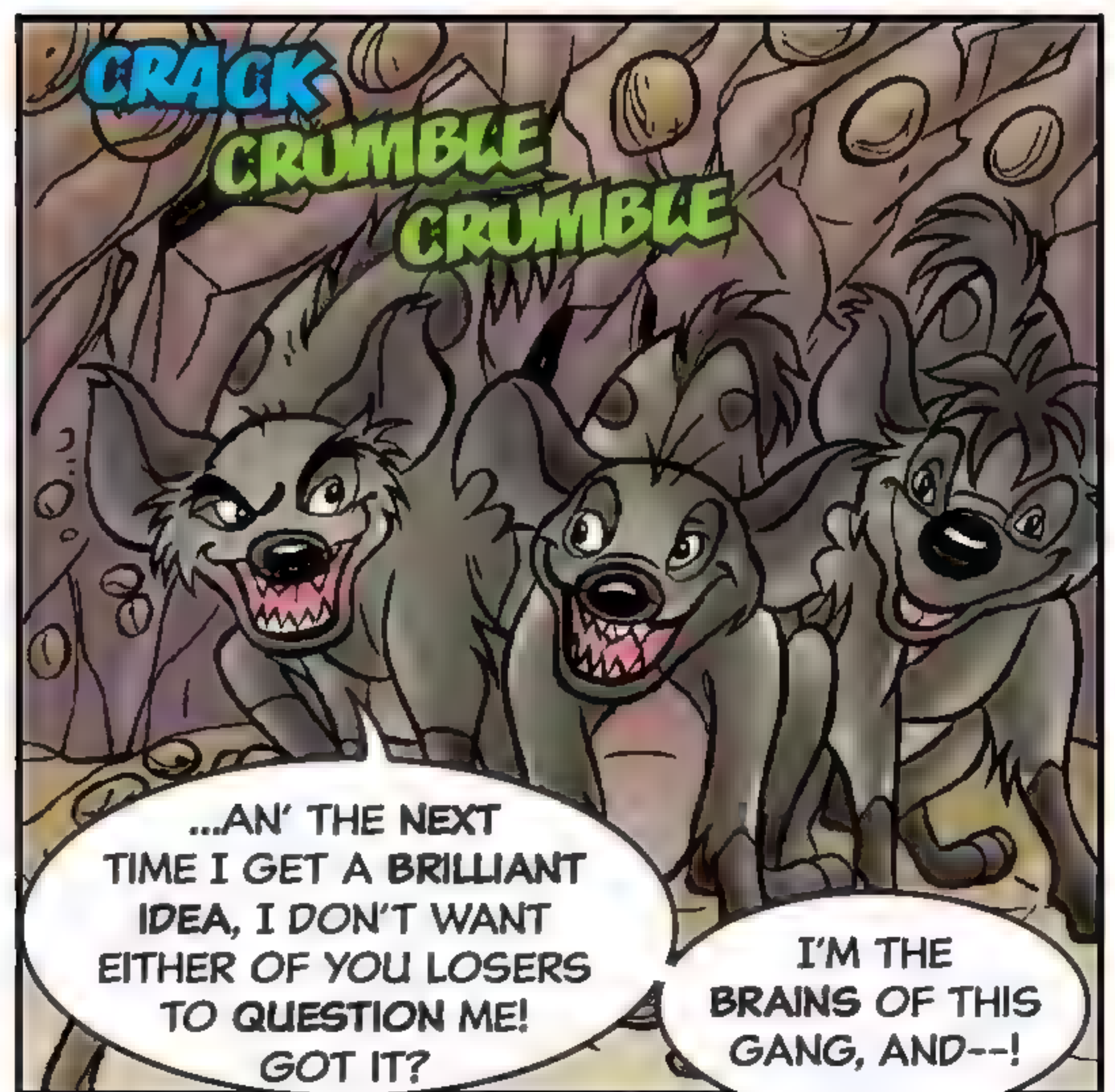
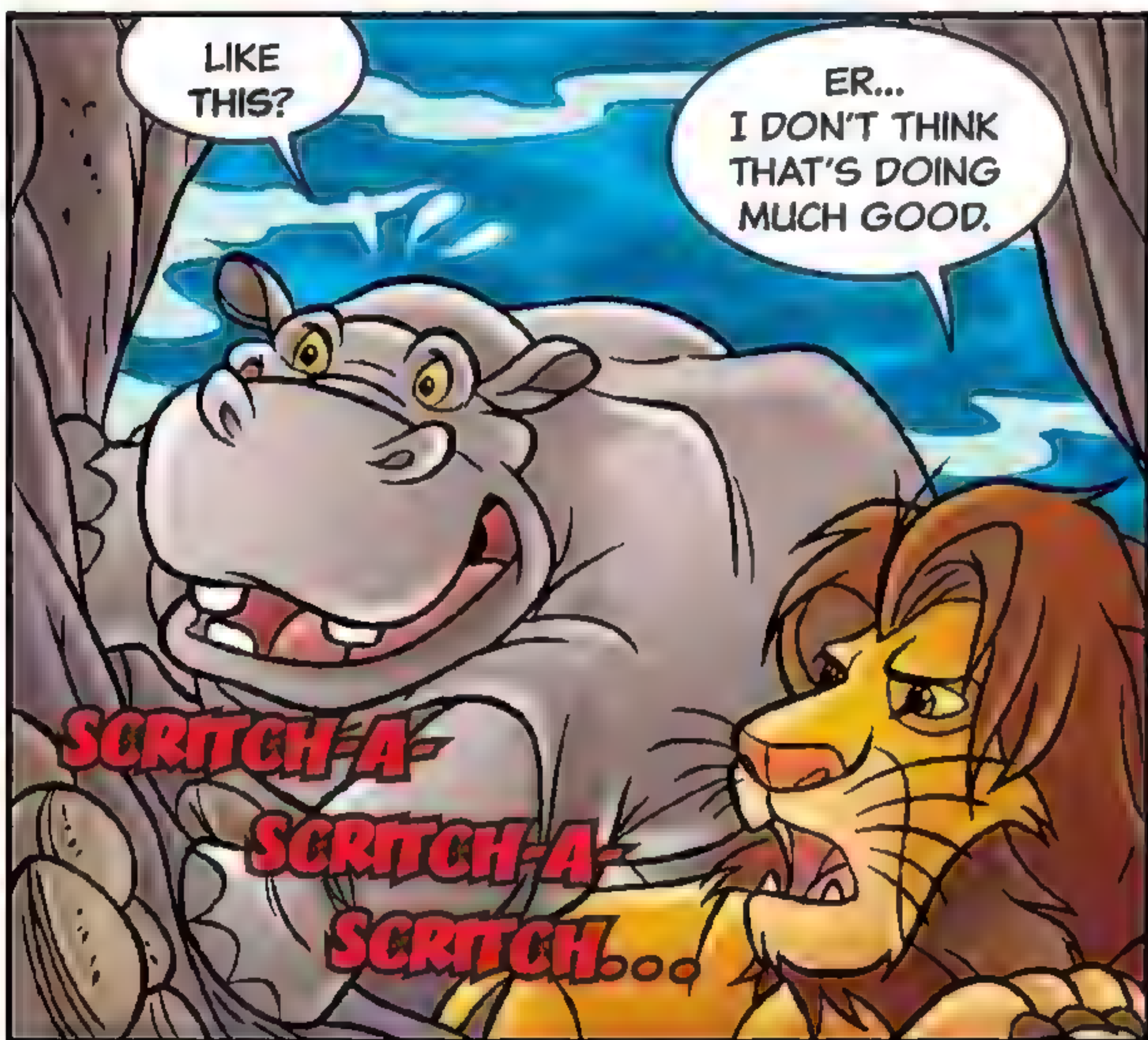
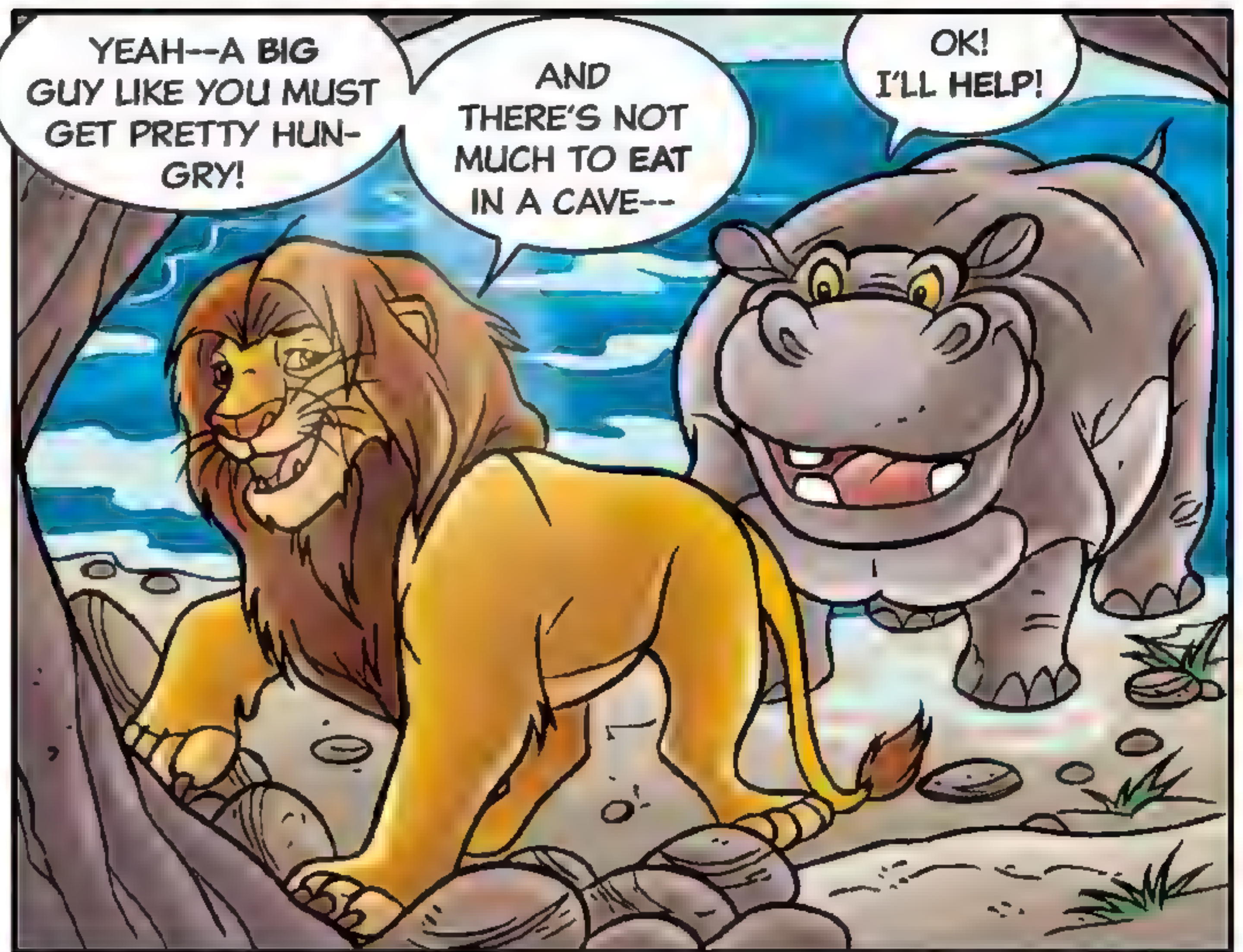
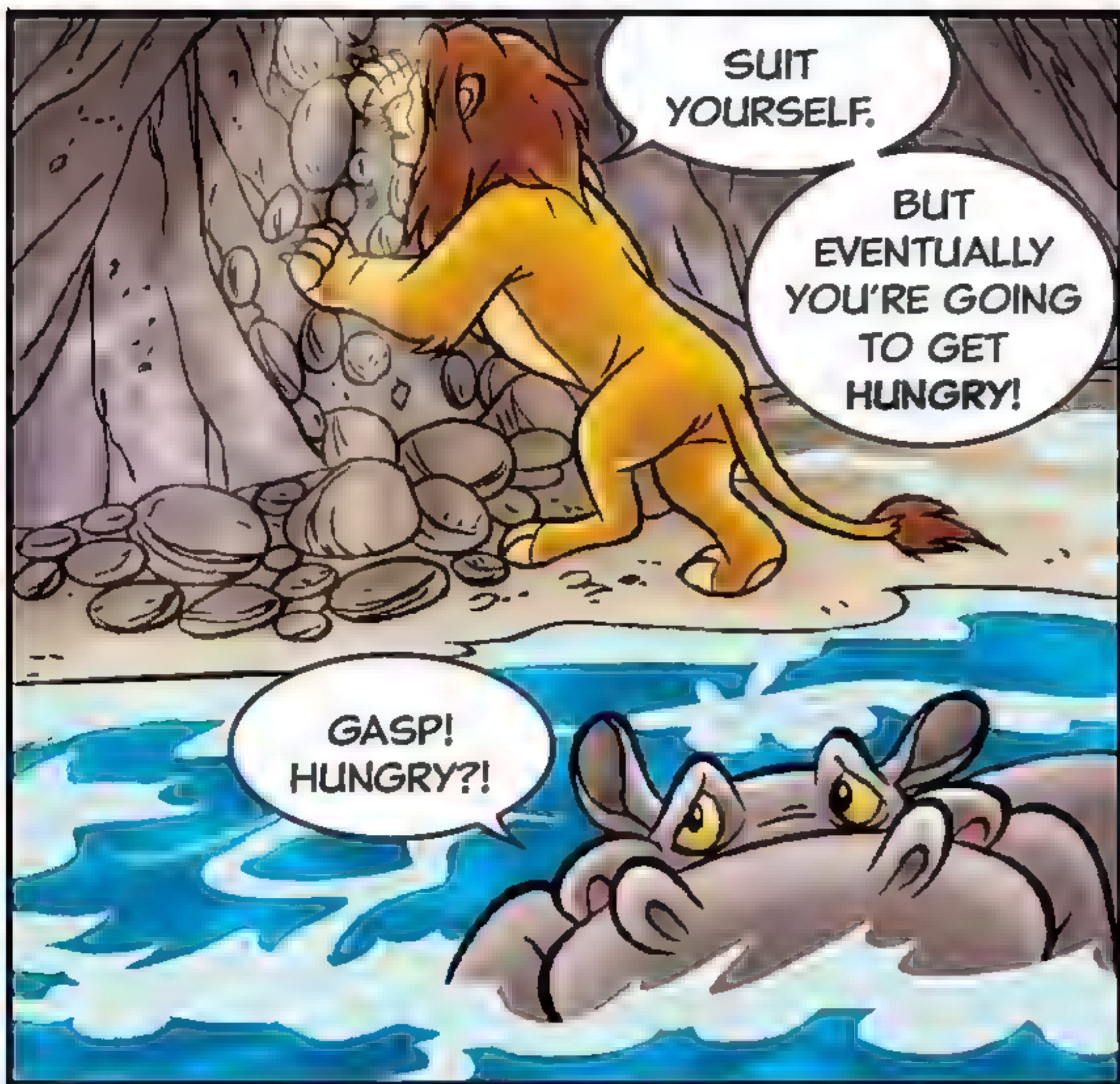














THE END

SOLUTIONS

LIONS KINSHIP

M	R	L	F	B	S	M	L
B	M	S	N	S	A	N	R
A	U	B	I	U	R	B	M
S	F	L	L	M	A	F	L
N	A	M	R	L	B	S	N
F	S	C	A	R	I	A	U
U	A	N	L	A	B	L	R

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RAFIKI'S HUNT



Simba=6 Timon=3 Pumbaa=4

HYENA SPOTS

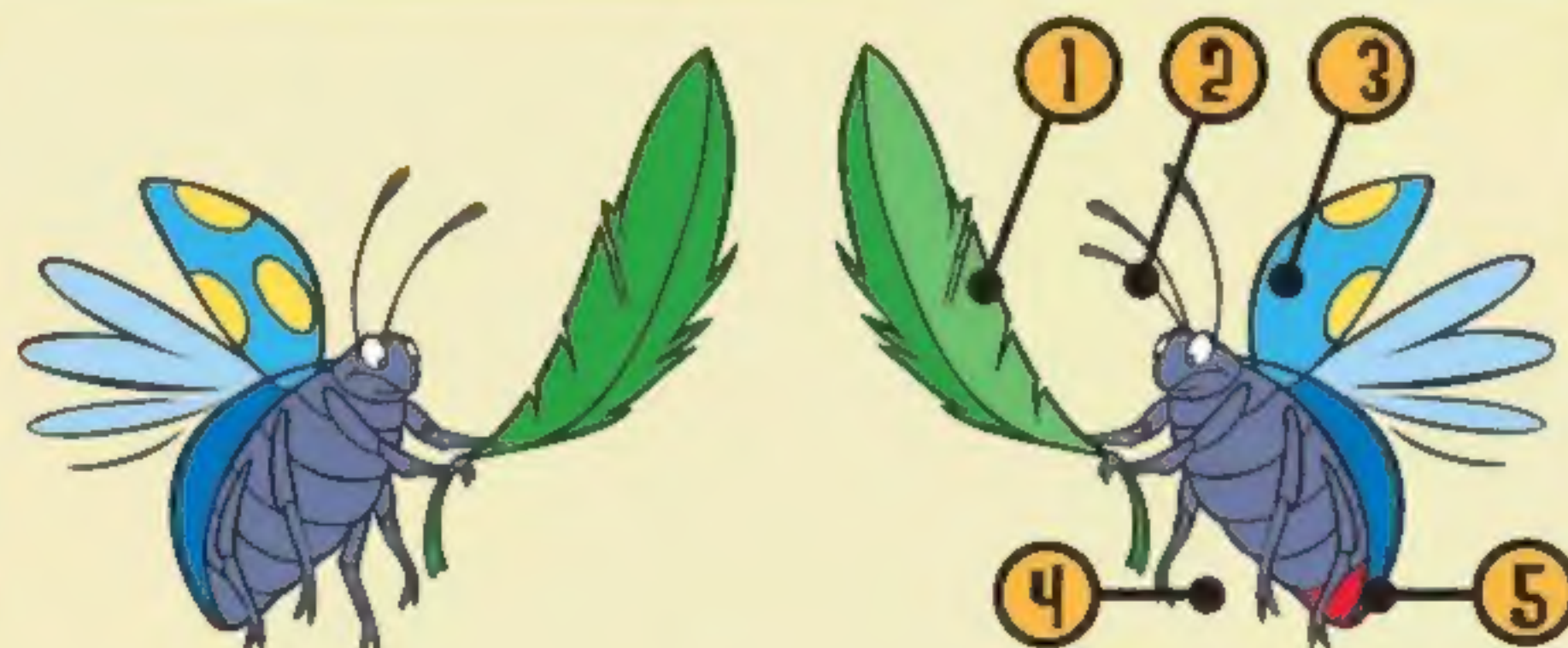


These are Ed's spots.



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BUGS FUN



BIG CAT COLORING

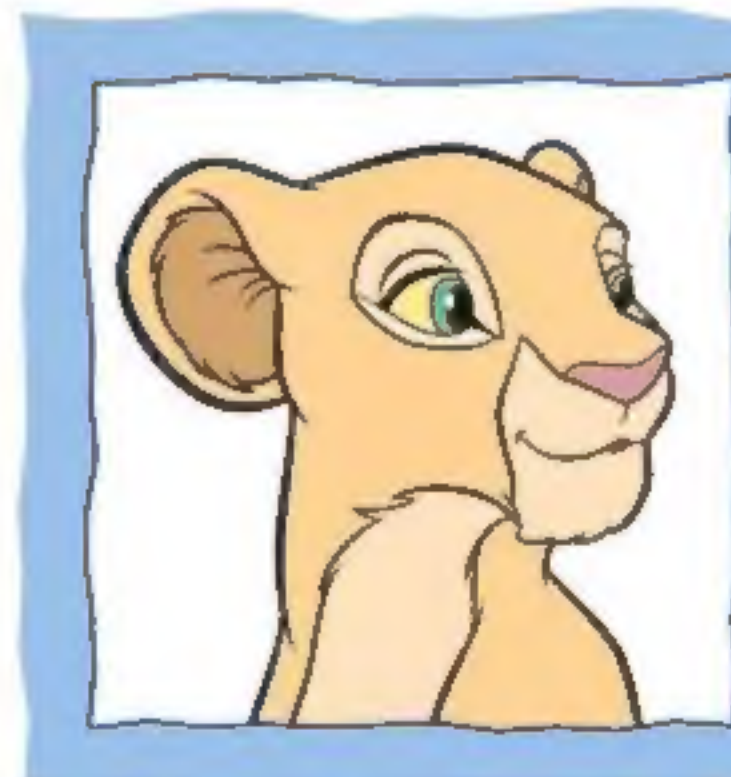


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10 THINGS TO ANSWER

1 - TRUE, 2 - TRUE, 3 - FALSE, 4 - TRUE, 5 - FALSE,
6 - TRUE, 7 - FALSE, 8 - FALSE, 9 - TRUE, 10 - TRUE

WHO'S WHO?



Nala



Mufasa

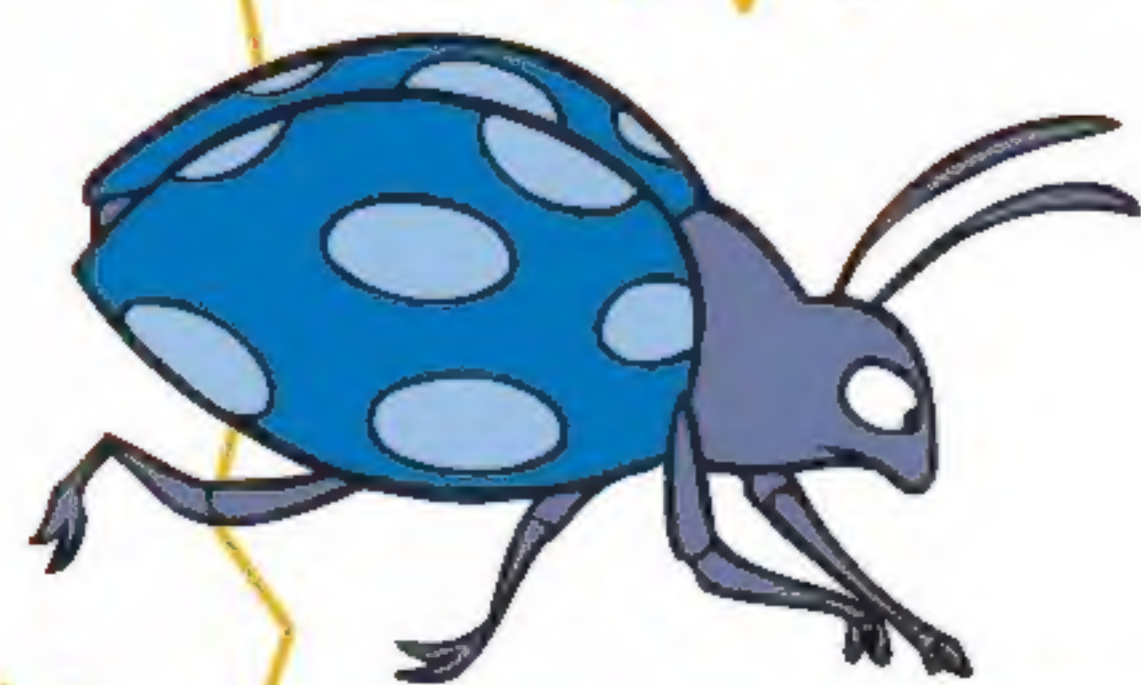


Rafiki

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BUG HIDEOUT

There are **8** hidden bugs.



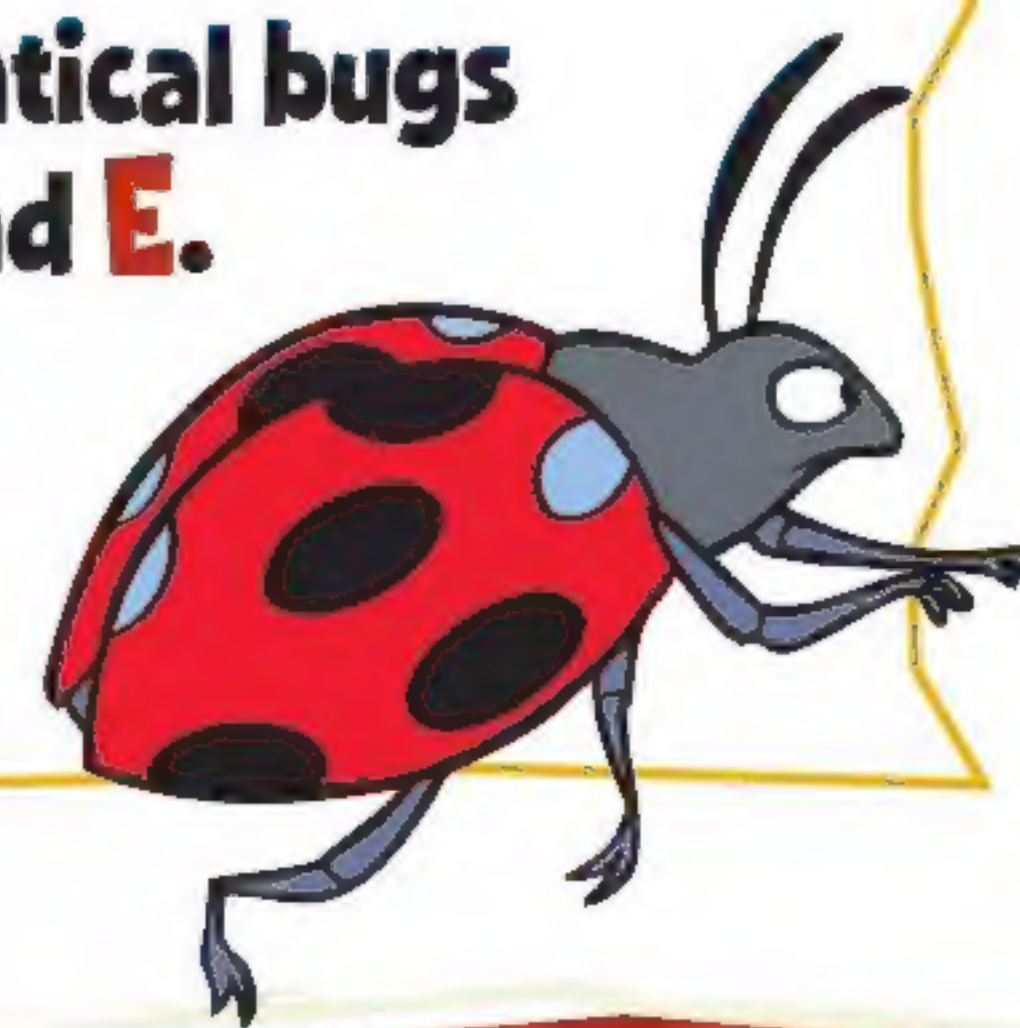
BUG SEQUENCE

The bug that completes the sequence is **B**.



'TWEEN BUGS

The identical bugs are **B** and **E**.





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SECRET LOVE

The decoded message is:

GRUBS ARE



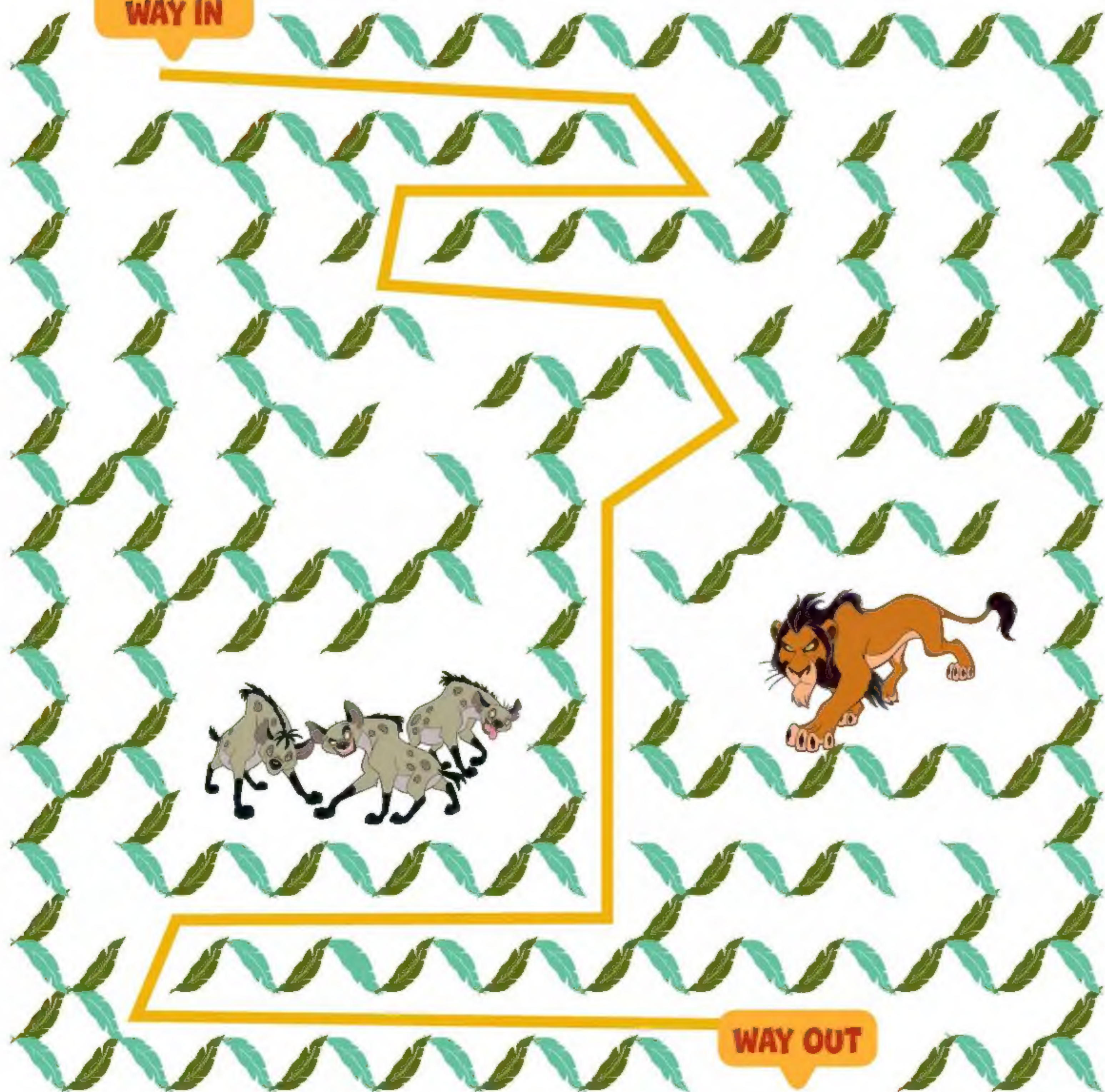
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AVOIDING NASTY ENCOUNTERS

WAY IN



WAY OUT



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AFRICAN NAMES

SARABI = mirage

SIMBA = lion

RAFIKI = friend

NALA = gift

BANZAI = skulk, lurk



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AFRICAN STATES

6 countries border Chad.



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AMAZING QUIZ

- 1 OSTRICH (E)
- 2 SAHARA (H)
- 3 KINGS (G)
- 4 OKAPI (B)
- 5 KILIMANJARO (A)
- 6 BEETLES (F)
- 7 NILE (C)
- 8 EGYPT (D)

